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The Armstrong Family

"Armstrong, the name of a famous border family which chiefly inhabited Lidderdale. According to tradition, the original surname was Fairburn, and belonged to the armour bearer of an ancient King of Scotland who, having his horse killed under him, was straightway remounted by Fairburn on his own horse. For this timely assistance, the king rewarded him with lands on the border and, in allusion to the manner in which so important a service was performed — Fairburn having taken the King by the thigh, and set him at once in the saddle — his royal master gave him the name of Armstrong.

"Amongst the clans on the Scottish side of the border the Armstrongs were formerly one of the most numerous.

"They possessed the greater part of Lidderdale, which forms the southern district of Roxburyshire and of the debatable land. All along the banks of the Liddle the ruins of their ancient fortresses may still be traced.

"The habitual depredations of this border race had rendered them so active and daring and at the same time so cautious and circumspect, that they seldom failed either in their attacks or in securing their prey. Even when assailed by superior numbers they baffled every assault by abandoning their dwellings and retiring with their families into thick woods and deep morasses, accessible by paths known only to themselves."

—Anderson, "Scottish Nation."

DAVID (1) ARMSTRONG was born in Scotland in 1770 and when very young was taken by his parents to Ballibay, County Monaghan, Ireland. In 1786 he left his home in Ireland and came to America, and a year later joined Dr. Clark's colony in Salem, Washington County, New York. He was a resident of that county for seventy years.

In 1807 he purchased land in Argyle and continued to reside there until his removal to Hebron about 1828. He was for

many years a ruling elder in the Hebron United Presbyterian Church. In 1856 he came west with his son John (2) and family, settling in De Kalb County, Illinois, where he died in his son's home near Sandwich, February 13, 1866, aged ninety-six years.

David Armstrong married first, about 1799, Elizabeth ——. He married a second wife late in life.

Children by first marriage, born in Argyle, N. Y.:

i. Robert C. (2), born Nov. 11, 1800.
ii. William, born Jan. 20, 1804.
iii. Dr. Thomas.
iv. David, died in Albuquerque, N. M.
v. John, born Feb. 2, 1813.
vi. Jane, married Anson Parks.
vii. Another daughter.

ROBERT C. (2) ARMSTRONG, born November 11, 1800; died in Sandwich, Illinois, July 12, 1873; married ——, Rebecca Hall, of North Argyle, New York; born March 24, 1805; died in Waterloo, Iowa, November 16, 1886.

Children:

i. John (3), of North Argyle, N. Y.
ii. Mary Ann, married —— Irving, of Sterling Valley, N. Y.
iii. Elizabeth, born Aug. 29, 1828; died near Hinckley, Ill., Dec. 4, 1880; married W. Henry Carr.

Children:

i. Robert (4) Carr, a lawyer and judge in Iowa.
ii. Lucretia Carr, married James Blair Dobbin, son of David Miller Dobbin.
iii. Mary Carr, married David Jones, of Hinckley, Ill.

WILLIAM (2) ARMSTRONG, born January 20, 1804; died in Somonauk, Illinois, February 15, 1880, having moved

there with his family in 1867; married Phoebe (3) McClellan of Hebron, New York; born August 14, 1808; died in Somonauk township, January 31, 1894. He was a ruling elder in both Hebron (New York) and Somonauk (Illinois) United Presbyterian churches.

Children, born in Hebron, N. Y.:

i. William Thomas (3), married his cousin Mary Armstrong, daughter of David and Jane (McEachron) Armstrong, of Sandwich, Ill.
ii. David James, born May 13, 1843; died in Sandwich, Ill., Dec. 6, 1921; married Dec. 27, 1876, Anna Pamelia Robertson, daughter of William (3) and Anna Pamelia (Henry) Robertson.

Children:

i. William W. (4), born July 3, 1880.
ii. Henry A., born Jan. 31, 1882; died Feb. 11, 1920.
iii. D. Le Roy, born Sept. 17, 1888.

iii. John Alexander (3), born ——; died Dec. ——, 1921; married first, Puella, daughter of Thomas White; born July 11, 1846; died Jan. 4, 1872; married second, Isabel Cole.

Child by first wife:

i. Carrie (4).

DR. THOMAS (2) ARMSTRONG, of Sandwich, Illinois, married first, Joanna Terry.

Children:

i. Shubael Terry (3), of Sycamore.
ii. Addison.
iii. Anna, married Dr. Solon White. Their son, Dr. Max S. White, is dean of men in the University of Minnesota.

Dr. Thomas Armstrong married second, Augusta, daughter of Luther Kent, of Sandwich, Illinois.

JOHN (2) ARMSTRONG, born February 2, 1813; died in his home near Sandwich, Illinois, October 25, 1885; married in Hebron, Washington County, New York, Jane A. Beattie; born September 13, 1813; died October 25, 1890; daughter of James and Sarah Beattie (born in Salem, New York, in 1774), who were married March 19, 1795. James Beattie's father, Thomas (2) Beattie, born in Ireland in 1747, was a soldier in the Revolution. Thomas (1) Beattie, the grandfather, and family came from Ballibay, County Monaghan, Ireland, with Dr. Clark's congregation and settled in Salem in 1767.

Children:

i. Hannah (3), died in infancy.
ii. Sarah E., married Jan. 1, 1875, Henry J. Faxon.
iii. John J., born Feb. 26, 1838.

JOHN J. (3) ARMSTRONG, born February 26, 1838; married first, Mary, daughter of George and Hester Hough; she died March 28, 1864.

Child:

i. George L. (4), of Naperville, Ill.; born May 16, 1863; married in 1884, Fannie Hummiston. One daughter, Mary, married Arthur Wegner, of Turtle Lake, Wis.

John J. Armstrong married second, December 4, 1866, Caroline Antoinette Fraser, daughter of William and Mary (Faxon) Fraser. He served in Company H, 156th regiment of Illinois Volunteers in the Civil War.

Children:

i. Winfred J. (4), born Jan. 28, 1869, at the old homestead near Sandwich, Ill., the home of six generations of Armstrongs; married Nov. 27, 1891, Mathilde C. Stoffregen, born in Plano, Ill.

Children:

i. Gladys Fredrica (5), born Dec. 20, 1892; married Oct. 4, 1917, William Harry Fraser.
Child:
i. William Armstrong (6) Fraser.
ii. Carl Berwyn, born Mar. 21, 1899; married Mar. 20, 1920, Ailleen Wright, daughter of Edgar and Ann Wright.
Children:
i. Beverly Ann (6).
ii. Donald.
iii. Myrl Winifred, born Oct. 17, 1901; married Sept. 28, 1921, Marshall Heeg.
Child:
i. Bonnie Myrl (6) Heeg, born June 4, 1923.
ii. Edyth Mae, born Mar. 18, 1877; married Nov. 26, 1902, Harry E. Olsen.
Child:
i. Sterling Maynard (5) Olsen, born May 1, 1905.

The Beveridge Family

The origin of the Beveridge name is obscure. It is not English, for the name has always been rare in England; neither is it pure Scottish, as it does not appear in the old Scottish records. There was a noted English bishop, William Beveridge, who was born in 1638. Little is known of him except that his father and grandfather were both clergymen. About the same time there were Jesuit priests named Beveridge connected with the College of Douay, and a Colonel or Count Beveridge, who appears to have been a foreign officer in the service of William III. The late Senator Albert J. Beveridge said he had seen the name of a Beveridge on the walls of one of the prison rooms of London Tower where the prisoner was confined "for obstinacy in religious opinions."

The name first appears in the Scottish records in the 15th century in the counties of Firth, Fife and Kinross on the east coast. The name at first was spelled in various ways, Beveridge and Belfrage being the most common variations and frequently used for the same individual. Since about 1700 the name has been as now, Beveridge. There is good reason to think the name is of Flemish origin, as there was a Flemish colony in Perth where the name was first found, and the name was soon common here among the weavers of the inland towns and the fishers, traders and saltmakers of the coast. The prefix "bever" is common in Holland. One family of Beveridges has a crest in which a beaver's head has a prominent place, suggesting that the name may have been beaver-ridge, meaning beaver hill.

The earliest authentic records of the family so far discovered are in the parish records of Auctermuchty, County Fife, where we find that on August 22, 1718, John Lourie and Ann Gilmore were married. In 1721 we find that Janet Lourie, daughter of John Lourie and Ann Gilmore, was baptized. There are also the records of the baptizing of seven other children of this family. March 2, 1745, we have this record in the neighboring town of Strathmiglo: "George Beveridge, weaver in this parish, and Janet Lourie, daughter of John Lourie, tenant in Galoway, were proclaimed in marriage." To George Beveridge and Janet Lourie were born four children. We do not have the exact dates of their births, but from their ages at the time of their deaths it would appear that Matthew was born in 1750, Andrew in 1752, and Ann in 1755. Another daughter, who never left Scotland, married a man named Thompson. Matthew never left Scotland, but lived and died in Strathmiglo, following the trade of a weaver all his life.

We have no record of the birth or birthplace of George Beveridge, but in a letter from a Mrs. Miller of Columbia,

Ohio, a descendant of his eldest son Matthew, it is stated that his father's name was Matthew, and that Matthew's father was George Beveridge. This was following the old Scottish custom of naming the eldest son for his paternal grandfather. We have no record of the death of George Beveridge, but it was when his children were young, for we have the record of the marriage of his widow to George Fotheringham in 1762. Janet Fotheringham, their only daughter, came to this country and married the Reverend Thomas Beveridge, who may have been a distant relative of her mother's first husband. They had a large number of descendants, including the late Mrs. G. H. Robertson, of Sandwich, Illinois.

The Beveridges while in Scotland were all weavers. The little town of Strathmiglo was a town of weavers, and the Beveridges were good weavers, for the same old parish records show that sums of money were paid to members of the family for the best woven cloth. Some of the weaving of great-grandfather Andrew (1) Beveridge is in possession of various members of the family and, while it is more than one hundred years old, it would even now be considered very good fabric. The house in which George Beveridge lived in Strathmiglo is still standing with his initials "G. B." cut in the stone over the door. Over another door are the initials of his son, Matthew.

We have no record of the death of George Fotheringham, but in 1774, twelve years after her second marriage, his widow came to this country with her son, Andrew (1) Beveridge, then twenty-two years of age, and her daughters, Ann, nineteen, and Janet, eleven. They were on the water eleven weeks bound for Boston, but the port was blockaded by the British fleet and they landed at Marblehead. Then this mother with her family walked the entire length of Massachusetts to Cambridge, New York. Much of this country was at that time little more than a wilderness. The mother probably lived the rest of her life in or near Cambridge, where she died October

18, 1802. Her tombstone in the old Cambridge (New York) cemetery is well preserved after one hundred and twenty-five years.

Tradition says that two cousins of Andrew Beveridge came over at the same time, but they went to Baltimore. Senator Albert J. Beveridge is believed to be descended from one of these cousins.

Ann Beveridge married James Small soon after coming to this country, and they have more than one thousand descendants, many of whom have intermarried with descendants of her brother Andrew.

Andrew, the son of George and Janet Lourie Beveridge, at first lived near Coila, New York, where he had a farm and worked at his trade of weaving. As he came to this country at the beginning of the Revolutionary War, it is not strange that his sympathy was with the British. One story is that he was in the battle of Bennington, was wounded and was the last to leave the field. Another story is that he started to join the British army but was captured before he reached it. At all events, the State of New York confiscated the property of the British sympathizers and he lost his farm, which was secured by his brother-in-law, James Small. This so angered him that he said he would go away so far he would never see them again. He seems to have gone to Ryegate, Vermont, where he lived for three years. Later he secured a farm near West Hebron, where he lived for the rest of his life, and where he died March 27, 1835.

It is difficult at this time to estimate the character of Andrew Beveridge. He lived in a stern and hard age, when the lines of church and state were more sharply drawn than now.

John L. Beveridge, who was eleven years old at the time of his grandfather's death, remembered him as a stern, silent old man with little sense of humor. He seems to have had a strong, rugged constitution, inflexibility of purpose, and strong convic-

tions. A portion of the following letter, which is all that remains of one written by him in 1816 to his brother Matthew, in Scotland, would indicate that he was a man who thought much and said little.

Andrew Beveridge to Matthew Beveridge

"Dear Brother:

"I received yours about the middle of Nov. I am glad to hear of your welfare. I am in ordinary health but frail. Our sisters and families are well. Ann has 19 grand-children, Jennette, 1 son and two daughters, her son is at Divinity Hall with Mr. Anderson which he went to in 1815.

"My two oldest are married. I have nothing in particular to write to you. I have great reason of thankfulness for the way I have been led through this Wilderness.

"May it be your concern and mine to be making advances in holiness, to be as the morning light that shineth more and more to the perfect day.

"The first Acquaintance I had in this country are most of them dead. I have seen Mr. Donaldson from Cooper of Angus who came over last summer, on inquiring of him for several people, most of them was dead before his remembrance, except Mr. Watson of Arle. This is saying to me be ye also ready. It was very sickly and mortal in this land in the spring of 1813. My oldest daughter died of the fever the 15th day of March. She was 24 years of age, many others died in the prime of life. The Lord has been pleading a controversy with this land for many years. He is seeming to be saying, they will not see but they shall see.

"Some of our cities was visited with the pestilence, and then we were visited with the scourge of war and now if not the famine, yet with a scarcity.

"The lord in just displeasure turneth a fruitful land into barrens for our sins that liveth therein. Our wheat crop has in a great measure failed the two last seasons, and the last season

the Indian corn almost entirely, which is the main support
the poor.

"It is feared it will be hard with many before next harve
Last summer was remarkably threatening. It was cold and
till about the first of June, and after that was excessive
and cold. We had frost every month of summer (you are n
to understand me that it was frost all the time) so there w
great scarcity of water for man and beast. The pasture w
dried up. There is very little fodder for the cattle, so th
sold very low last fall, yet for all these things that complai
may be taken up, 'Yet ye have not returned unto me saith t
Lord.' All manner of wickedness prevails among us.

"The two that is the most hurtful to the community is ro
bing and housebreaking in our cities. We have little or
money in circulation, but paper counterfeiting is carried
to a great degree."

Robert (3) Graham, who was eleven years old in 1816, t
his children of the severity and unfruitfulness of that year.

The church certificate, brought by Andrew Beveridge fro
Scotland, reads:

"Pathead, May 19, 1774. The bearer, Andrew Beveridg
an unmarried person, a member of this congregation and
full communion, free of public scandal and ground of chur
censure known to hinder his reception into any Christian c
gregation where Providence shall order his lot and partaki
of church privileges is qualified,

"Thos. Thompson, Muil (Minister).
"is attested by Robert Chalmers, Sess (Session)."

The following is a copy of a certificate of recommendati
brought from Ryegate, Vermont, when he returned to W
Hebron:

"To all whom it may concern: This may certify, t
Andrew Beveridge, the bearer hereof, came to this part of

country in October or November, 1777, and lived with me a
year, and afterwards lived in different places in the neighbor-
hood about two years more, that he always behaved himself
as a sober, honest, industrious man and maintained a good
moral character while he lived in this neighborhood, and was
under no scandal or church censure, and for anything I know
may be admitted into any society or congregation.

"James Whitelaw, Ryegate, Vt., May 28, 1787."

He also brought a second certificate from Ryegate, Vermont,
which says: "This is to certify that the above named Andrew
Beveridge lived near three years in this neighborhood and,
though I was not personally acquainted with him, by all the
information I can get his character was unexceptional in both
civil and religious matters. Josiah Page, Justice Peace."

These documents indicate the value placed on character one
hundred and fifty years ago. When the State set the standard
of religious belief for its subjects, it took undaunted courage
for one to stand by his honest convictions if they did not ac-
cord with the State creed.

The Associate Presbyterian Church of West Hebron was
organized in the house of Andrew Beveridge in 1799, the
first three elders being Andrew Beveridge, Hugh Moncrief
and William McClellan, names eloquent of sterling worth
and high traditions.

While he had a farm, which is now owned by a great-
grandson, Andrew Beveridge worked at the trade of a weaver
all his life. John C. Beveridge, who was only nine years old
when Andrew died, remembered seeing him at his loom, and,
as was said before, he was a good weaver. It is said that when
his wedding day came it was raining, and so he went back to
his loom and was not married until the next day.

ANDREW (1) BEVERIDGE, born in 1752 at Strath-
miglo, Scotland; died West Hebron, New York, 1835; mar-

ried Isabel Cummings, January 23, 1784, a daughter of Thomas Cummings who at that time lived in Putnam, Washington County, New York, but spent the last years of his life in Cambridge, where he was buried. Mr. Cummings came from Scotland previous to the Revolutionary War. His other known children were James, who married Mrs. Jemima Hoy; Robert, Alexander and Ann, who married John Livingston of Hebron.

Children:

i. George (2), born Mar. 16, 1785; died at Somonauk, May 10, 1870.

ii. Thomas, born Feb. 15, 1787; died in New York, Feb. 2, 1869; married first, Nov. 11, 1812, Ann Shields; second, Mary Hoy; born Mar. 15, 1790.

iii. Jennet, born Jan. 6, 1789; died Mar. 15, 1813, in Hebron, N. Y.; unmarried.

iv. James, born Feb. 28, 1791; died in Hebron in 1881; married Janet Lamb.

v. Alexander, born May 4, 1793. (See page 98.)

vi. John, born May 31, 1795; died in East Greenwich, July 30, 1878; married Jane McNeil.

vii. Ann, born Oct. 16, 1797; died Feb. 16, 1858, in Hebron; unmarried.

viii. Matthew, born Feb. 2, 1800; died in Hebron, May 25, 1875; married Elizabeth Hutton.

ix. Andrew, born May 26, 1802. (See page 101.)

x. David, born July 23, 1805; died in Hebron, Sept. 12, 1879; married Elizabeth Shaw.

The average age of these eight sons was over eighty years. Three of them, George, James and Alexander, served for a short time during the War of 1812. Three of the grandsons were in the Civil War. John L. Beveridge, son of George, was

major of the 8th Illinois Cavalry, and later colonel of the 17th Illinois Cavalry, and breveted brigadier-general at the close of the war. Alexander, son of Alexander, died in the service at Alexandria, Virginia. The number of the family who were in the World War is not known, but two at least sleep in Flanders Field. All of the eight brothers married and left children, but the family of John has no living descendants. The number of the descendants of Andrew Beveridge is now very large, extending to at least the seventh generation. They are widely scattered, being found all over this country, and in foreign countries.

It may be said of the family in America, as has been said of the family in Scotland, "It lays claim to no great saint and no great sinner," but they are of the sturdy type which has always formed the moral backbone in any community in which they have been placed, and of the type of citizens which has helped to make America great.

GEORGE (2) BEVERIDGE, the eldest child of Andrew (1), was born in the township of Hebron, Washington County, New York, March 15, 1785; died at his home in the township of Somonauk, De Kalb County, Illinois, May 10, 1870; married, in the township of Cambridge, now Jackson, Washington County, New York, March 24, 1812, Ann, daughter of James and Agnes (Robertson) Hoy, born in the township of Cambridge, Washington County, New York, June 17, 1788; died in her home in Somonauk township, De Kalb County, Illinois, May 18, 1865. George Beveridge prospected in De Kalb County and purchased the Eastabrooks farm on Somonauk Creek in 1838, four years before he brought his family to live in the double log cabin. Of their children the two eldest were born in the township of Cambridge and the others in the township of Greenwich, Washington County, New York.

Children:

i. Jennett (3), born May 5, 1813; died Dec. 2, 1901; married Oct. 23, 1837, James Henry. (See page 149.)

ii. Isabel, born 1814; died Nov. 23, 1814.

iii. Isabel, born Nov. 17, 1815; died Apr. 15, 1894; married Oct. 29, 1838, William French. (See page 121.)

iv. James Hoy, born Dec. 3, 1817.

v. Andrew M., born Jan. 20, 1820; died Jan. 6, 1889; married Dec. 22, 1848, Sarah, a daughter of Aretas Loomis, of Bennington, Vt.; graduated about 1844 from Jefferson College, Canonsbury, Pa.; member class 1849, Princeton Theological Seminary; pastor Presbyterian Church, Hoosic Falls, N. Y., 1851-1858; pastor for many years of First Presbyterian Church, Lansingburgh, N. Y.

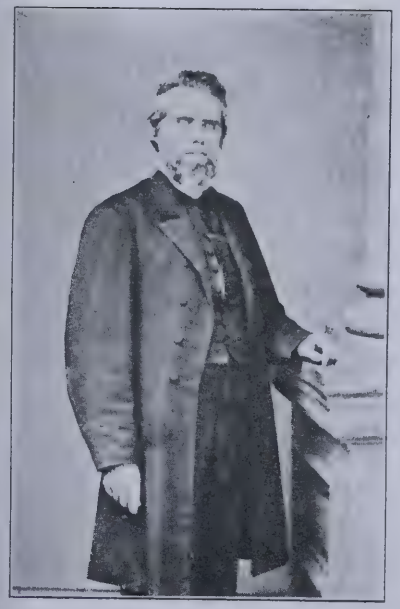
vi. Thomas George, born Apr. 9, 1822; died Apr. 24, 1859; married Apr. 9, 1851, Elizabeth, daughter of William and Margaret Irwin. (See page 159.)

vii. John Lourie, born July 6, 1824.

viii. Agnes, born June 17, 1829; died July 9, 1909; married Feb. 18, 1851; Alexander R. Patten. (See page 221.)

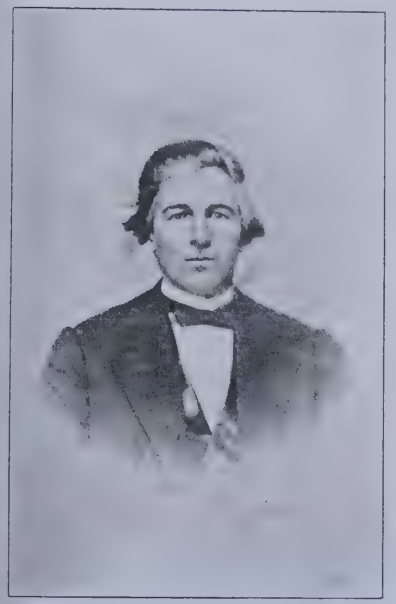
ix. Mary, born Apr. 25, 1831; died May 28, 1833.

George Beveridge and his wife, Ann (Hoy) Beveridge, who were destined to take so vital a part in establishing what is now the Somonauk United Presbyterian Church, were born, reared and married in the first American home of the family, Washington County, New York. Here their nine children were born, two of whom died while very young. Six children came west with their parents in 1842, two others following soon after. One, Andrew M. (3), remained in the East. By his will George Beveridge devised the sum of ten dollars to



Rev. Andrew M. Beveridge

Mrs. Andrew M. Beveridge (Sarah Loomis)



John C. Beveridge

Mrs. John C. Beveridge (Mary Ann McCleery)

each grandson bearing the name George, and five dollars to all others. Henry J. Patten, born after the will was drawn, and consequently omitted from the list of beneficiaries, remembers that his mother gave him a pig as a consolation.

JAMES HOY (3) BEVERIDGE was born in Greenwich, Washington County, New York, December 3, 1817; died January 29, 1896, at his farm home in De Kalb County, Illinois. He married Elizabeth A., a daughter of Platt and Lois Disbrow. She was born August 24, 1826, at Sherman, Fairfield County, Connecticut; died October 22, 1905. Elizabeth was descended from John Disbrow who was an early settler in Stamford, Connecticut, and is supposed to have been the eldest son of Major-General John Disbrow, an officer in Cromwell's army, who married Jane Cromwell. This John Disbrow married Sarah Knapp, and they had a son, Thomas Disbrow, who married Mercy Jones, the widow of ———— Nichols. Their son, Thomas Disbrow, married Abigail Godding and they had seven children, of whom the fifth was Caleb, born August 2, 1719. He married, November 19, 1740, Sarah Davis, and died May 14, 1812. Asa was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. He married Charity Platt. Their sixth child was Platt Disbrow, who married Lois Pepper in 1804. The children of Platt and Lois (Pepper) Disbrow were: Willis, Joseph, Davis, Dimond, Stephen Pepper, Flora L., Levi and Elizabeth A.

Children:

i. Gertrude (4), born Aug. 15, 1850; married first O. A. Thompson, second Rufus E. Thompson.
ii. Infant daughter, born and died May 9, 1851.
iii. James Henry, born July 2, 1852; died Sept. 16, 1852.
iv. Lois Annie, born Feb. 8, 1854; died Mar. 5, 1864.
v. Merritt Hoy, born June 17, 1869; married Isabella Robinson; born June 22, 1877; died April 3, 1923. Merritt Hoy retains the homestead.

James Hoy Beveridge was educated in the public school and at the Cambridge Academy in New York. In Illinois, he attended Granville Academy and Mt. Morris Seminary. His life was much more than ordinarily eventful. His son, Merritt Hoy, tells us that his father came to Somonauk in 1841 and took a claim adjoining his father's claim on the north. About 1848 Mr. Beveridge and his brother-in-law, Alexander R. Patten, opened a store at Freeland Corners, and did a good business for a frontier country store. It was a boon to the settlers.

After their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Beveridge began housekeeping on the farm. In 1849 he was elected one of the associate justices of the county and in 1852 was elected assessor.

In 1854 he was one of the leading spirits in calling the Anti-Kansas-Nebraska Bill Convention held in Sycamore. In 1856 he was a delegate to the first Republican state convention held at Bloomington.

In 1852 he was elected circuit clerk of the county and in 1856 was reëlected. His residence was at the county seat during this period of eight years.

In 1864 Mr. Beveridge was elected State Treasurer, and the following spring removed to Springfield.

In 1867 he was appointed one of the State House Commissioners and was their secretary. He served on this commission from the beginning of the construction of the State House to its completion—from 1867 to 1878. He was the able and active secretary of the Lincoln Memorial Association of the state, which built the Lincoln Memorial. Mr. Beveridge made many good friends at the state capital by his strict honesty and helpfulness. At one time he saved a prominent man from financial embarrassment by timely assistance. Afterwards when this man was on a safe financial basis he insisted on Mr. Beveridge's acceptance of a gold watch in appreciation of his help

Thomas G. Beveridge

Mrs. Thomas G. Beveridge (Elizabeth Irwin)

Simon N. and Edward M. Patten

Jennie M. Patten

when in great need. This watch is now in the possession of his son Hoy, who prizes it highly.

In the summer of 1879 Mr. Beveridge returned to his farm at Somonauk, where he gave special attention to the breeding and raising of Jersey cattle.

During his retirement from public service he was not permitted to be wholly free from public responsibility. His opinion was sought on important matters in the community and state, and he was frequently called to serve as delegate to important conventions.

Mr. Beveridge united with the Associate Church at Somonauk on profession, in 1849, as the record shows. At Springfield Mrs. Beveridge and her husband united with the Presbyterian Church. After coming back to the farm in 1879 they took membership in the Presbyterian Church of Sandwich. When Mr. Beveridge died in 1896, the Reverend Mr. Nye of Sandwich conducted the funeral services, assisted by the Reverend A. G. Hastings of the United Presbyterian Church. He is buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

JOHN LOURIE (3) BEVERIDGE was born in Greenwich, Washington County, July 6, 1824; died in Hollywood, California, May 3, 1910; married January 20, 1848, in Chicago, Helen M. Judson, daughter of Philo Judson.

Children:

i. Alla May (4), married Samuel B. Raymond.
   Children:
   i. Lourie Raymond (5), deceased.
   ii. William Raymond.
   iii. Helen Raymond, married Shirly High; deceased.

ii. Philo Judson, married, first, Ella Reutzer.
   Children:
   i. Kuhne (5).
   ii. Ray.

Children by his second wife, Daedda Wilcox:

i. Marion (5).
ii. Daedda.
iii. Phyllis.

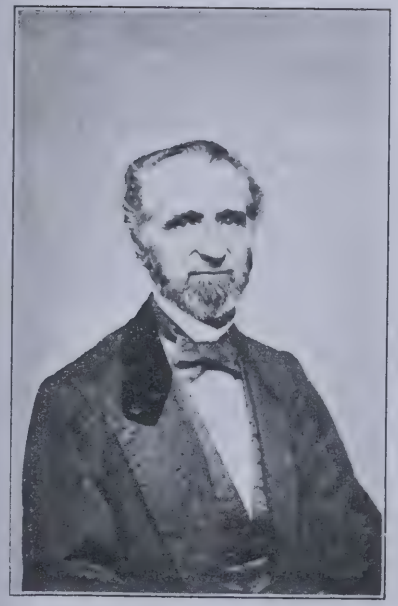
John Lourie Beveridge's boyhood was spent on a farm. He accompanied his father on his first trip west, returning with him, and in the spring of 1842 came with his parents to Somonauk.

Although the opportunities for higher education in the West at that time were very limited, during the succeeding three years, by great perseverance, he succeeded in getting a year and a half of excellent schooling at Mt. Morris Seminary. In the autumn of 1845 he went to Tennessee. There he received further training through teaching school as well as by observing the ways of life in that community. He admired many traits of Southern character, but never learned to accept the institution of slavery. In the meantime he read law and was admitted to the bar.

Returning to the North in December, 1847, he married, and the following spring with his wife returned to Tennessee. In the autumn of 1849, either through bad management or through the dishonesty of an associate, he lost what money he had accumulated and was left in debt. It took him two years to wipe out this debt. He returned to Somonauk, Illinois, and soon after, with his wife and two children, settled in Sycamore, the county seat of De Kalb County. Here he entered a law office and succeeded well.

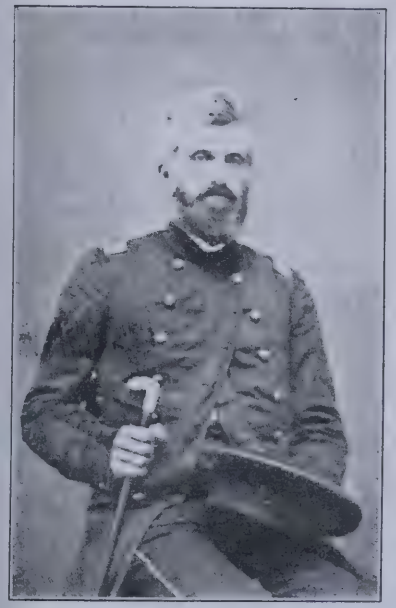
In the spring of 1854 Mr. Beveridge removed to Evanston, Illinois, and occupied himself with business connected with the recently founded Northwestern University, of which his father-in-law was business agent. In the spring of 1855 he opened a law office in Chicago. Here he successfully carried on his profession until the beginning of the Civil War.

Governor Beveridge's war record is brilliant. His law part-



James Hoy Beveridge

Mrs. James Hoy Beveridge
(Elizabeth A. Disbrow)



John L. Beveridge

Mrs. John L. Beveridge
(Helen M. Judson)

ner, General John F. Farnsworth, secured authority to raise a regiment, the 8th Illinois Cavalry, for which Beveridge in a few days succeeded in recruiting Company F, he himself enlisting August 12, 1861. In September he was unanimously chosen captain and the following day was selected by the line officers to be second major of the regiment.

In October the regiment was ordered to join the Army of the Potomac. Under General Stoneman, Beveridge was in the advance upon Richmond in 1862. Upon the retreat of the army from the James River, his battalion was in the extreme rear, in imminent danger from the shot and shell of the enemy. His was the only cavalry force which crossed the river at Fredericksburg. Major Beveridge led his regiment at Gettysburg, Williamsport, Boonsboro, Funkstown and between the Rappahannock and Culpepper, forty-seven engagements in all. In November, 1863, he was selected by General Farnsworth to recruit and organize the 17th Illinois Cavalry, of which he was commissioned colonel, January 28, 1864. On February 12 he was ordered to report to General Rosecrans in Missouri. At the head of his regiment he scouted through Missouri during a series of engagements with the guerrillas and bushwhackers. Their final engagement took place under General Pleasanton, when they drove the rebel, General Price, out of the state and captured a third of his army.

After the surrender of Lee, Colonel Beveridge remained in service in order to close out all the military stores in Missouri south of the river except those in St. Louis, and to muster out the troops in Missouri. In October, 1865, he was ordered by the Secretary of War to preside over a military commission in St. Louis for the trial of rebel offenders against property and persons of the United States. He was mustered out of the service February 6, 1866. The previous year, on March 7, 1865, he had been breveted brigadier-general for gallant and meritorious conduct.

Returning to civil life, he resumed his law practice in Chicago. In the summer of 1866 he was elected sheriff of Cook County and served with credit a two-year term. In November, 1870, he was elected State Senator from the 25th district (Chicago). After serving nearly a year as State Senator he received the nomination for Congressman at large on the Republican ticket, and was elected in November, 1871.

Before his term expired General Beveridge was elected Lieutenant-Governor, November, 1872. Governor Oglesby having been elected United States Senator, Beveridge became Governor. Through these changes in official life he had the extraordinary experience of holding in succession the offices of Congressman, Lieutenant-Governor and Governor, all within the space of three weeks. At the end of his term as Governor, he returned to Chicago and resumed the practice of law. Later he served a term as U. S. sub-treasurer in Chicago by appointment of President Arthur. "Governor Beveridge possessed the courage of his convictions and never dreamed of sacrificing principle to popularity," says Moses, in his history of Illinois. "His great desire was to discharge the duties of his office for the best interests of the state."

Governor Beveridge lived for many of his later years in Evanston, finally removing to Hollywood, California, where he died May 3, 1910. He is buried in Rosehill Cemetery in Chicago.

ALEXANDER (2) BEVERIDGE, the fourth son of Andrew (1), born May 4, 1793; died June 2, 1874; married Sarah, a daughter of Robert (2) and Mary McClellan. John C. was their third son.

Children:

i. Andrew (3).
ii. John C., born Feb. 3, 1826.

JOHN C. (3) BEVERIDGE, third son of Alexander (2) and Sarah (McClellan) Beveridge, was born in North Greenwich, Washington County, New York, February 3, 1826. His father was one of the eight sons of Andrew (1) and Isabel (Cummings) Beveridge.

When John was six years of age the family moved to Hebron. In his early life he worked on the farm. His education was obtained in the district school, and in West Hebron Academy, where he was for a short time.

In 1862 John C. Beveridge came to Illinois and for a time lived with his uncle, Andrew (2) Beveridge, near Freeland Corners. During this period he purchased 160 acres from his brother Andrew (3) Beveridge, who was living in New York. Andrew (3) had located this land in Victor township on a soldier's warrant several years before. At the time of the purchase all there was on the land was a small cabin and a single locust tree. Some years later he purchased 40 acres adjoining on the north.

In January, 1865, John C. Beveridge married Mary Ann McCleery, a daughter of James and Jean (Thompson) McCleery. They lived in the little cabin for a few years, but in 1871 Mr. Beveridge built a good roomy, substantial house and in rapid succession added serviceable outbuildings. Being a good carpenter, he did much of the work himself. He was a skillful farmer and, specializing in hog-raising, it was in that industry that he accumulated the greater part of his wealth. He held several important positions in his township, serving successively as assessor, repeatedly as supervisor; and was school treasurer for Victor township from 1874 until his death in 1906—a period of thirty-two years. He was secretary of the Victor Mutual Fire Insurance Company for twenty years.

John C. Beveridge lived forty-four years in Illinois and lived all this time on his farm. He died January 3, 1906, and was buried in Oak Mound Cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Beveridge

were members of the United Presbyterian Church of Somonauk.

Children:

i. Alexander William (4), born Feb. 2, 1866; married, first, Jennie C. Reed; born in Canada, Sept. 11, 1867; died near Waterman, Ill., Feb. 27, 1897.

Child:

i. Bruce (5).

He married second, Mary Maxwell, born Feb. 10, 1866, by whom he had two sons and one daughter.

ii. James McCleery, born Nov. 23, 1867; married, Dec. 28, 1899, Mary Ella Hays; born in Canada, July 7, 1873.

Children:

i. Ralph (5), a graduate of Ripon College in 1924; living in Chicago.

ii. Helen, now a student in Monmouth College.

iii. Albert Elmer, born July 3, 1871; died in Chicago, Apr. 30, 1904.

iv. George, born Aug. 19, 1874; died Oct. 3, 1907, in Reinbeck, Iowa. He was a young physician of more than ordinary ability; unmarried.

v. Rea, born Oct. 30, 1876; married Bertha McGeoch; born Oct. 24, 1877. He is a farmer and is living at Sheldon, Wis.

vi. May, born Oct. 30, 1876; living at Frenchberg, Ky.; engaged in vocational teaching; formerly taught in Knoxville College, Knoxville, Tenn.

vii. Margaret, born Dec. 18, 1878; living in Frenchberg, Ky.; engaged in vocational teaching; formerly taught in Knoxville College, Knoxville, Tenn.

viii. Archibald, born Jan. 29, 1885; died in Chippewa Falls, Wis., Feb. 1, 1921; married Alice Hess, of Somonauk village. She is teaching music in Peidmond College, Demorest, Ga.

ANDREW (2) BEVERIDGE, the ninth child of Andrew (1) and Isabella (Cummings) Beveridge, born May 26, 1802, in Hebron, Washington County, New York; died July 3, 1883, at his home in Somonauk township, De Kalb County, Illinois; married May 17, 1841, Jane Martin; born May 16, 1821, in Argyle, Washington County, New York; died at her home in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, October 30, 1905. Their children were all born in West Hebron. Mrs. Beveridge was brought to Somonauk for burial and laid beside her husband in Oak Mound Cemetery.

Children:

i. Isabella (3), born Jan. 29, 1842; died Feb. 14, 1849, at Peoria, Ill.

ii. Margaret, born June 3, 1843; died Oct. 27, 1856, at the home in Somonauk township, De Kalb County, Ill.

iii. Andrew, born Dec. 2, 1844.

iv. Sarah Isabella, born Aug. 16, 1849; died in her home at Orland, Ind., Feb. 9, 1874; married, Nov. 7, 1872, Samuel Carter van Antwerp; born Mar. 21, 1847; died Oct. 4, 1909. They had no children. Mr. van Antwerp was a physician.

Andrew (2) Beveridge, with his family, left West Hebron, Washington County, New York, came to Somonauk, Illinois, in the spring of 1852 and purchased a farm near Freeland Corners, where he lived the rest of his life—thirty-one years. Mr. and Mrs. Beveridge at once identified themselves with the Associate Church of Somonauk (now the United Presbyterian) by certificate. On February 28, 1857, he was chosen for a ruling elder, which office he held until his death.

Agriculture was his life's occupation. He was a man of kind heart and true to his convictions. Dr. William Turner Moffett, once his pastor, who lived with the family for more than a year before the first church manse was built, paid to the home this beautiful tribute: "The Beveridge home was one of the finest examples of a Christian home I have ever known."

About one year after her husband's death Mrs. Beveridge sold the farm and house near Freeland Corners and removed, with her son Andrew (3) and family, to Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Andrew had secured a position there. They invested their money in the thriving young city and prospered. There she spent the rest of her life.

ANDREW (3) BEVERIDGE, born December 2, 1844; died at his home in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, November 9, 1919; married, November 7, 1872, in Somonauk, Mira E. Dewey, of Somonauk; born April 6, 1849.

Children:

i. Belle Carter (4), born Aug. 27, 1873; married Sept. 25, 1905, Hayward Marshall; born July 15, 1870; died Apr. 25, 1923. Since her husband's death, Mrs. Marshall has been living with her mother. She is a talented and useful woman. One item in her busy life is the care of one hundred and fifty little children in the primary department of her church.

ii. Agnes Josephine, born Nov. 15, 1875; died Sept. 6, 1886.

iii. Max Forest, born Dec. 13, 1878; married Aug. 4, 1900, Harriet Adella Butler; born July 18, 1880. Mr. Beveridge was for some years in the banking business, later changing to the real estate and insurance business, in which he is prosperous.

Andrew (3) Beveridge

Mrs. Andrew (2) Beveridge (Jane Martin)

Andrew (2) Beveridge

Children:

i. Bertram Butler (5), born Nov. 27, 1902; married Nov. 15, 1923, Arka Shockley; born Jan. 2, 1905.

ii. Clifford Marshall, born Feb. 11, 1907.

iii. Andrew Donald, born Aug. 25, 1914.

iv. Maxine Jane, born Feb. 6, 1920.

Andrew (3) Beveridge was a graduate of Monmouth College in the middle '60s. While a student he enlisted in Company A of the 138th Illinois Infantry and served in the Civil War. In his earlier life he was active in politics and occupied prominent positions. He was a faithful member of the Congregational Church, and for many years served on the board of trustees. In 1890 Mr. Beveridge, in company with W. C. Hollister, built the Hollister-Beveridge Building in West Ninth Street. He also engaged in many other enterprises in the city. Successful in the real estate business, his associates accounted him one of the best posted men on realty values in that section of South Dakota.

The Boyd Family

GEORGE (1) BOYD, born in Killcon, County Armagh, Ireland, May 17, 1795, was the son of John and Elizabeth McElroy Boyd; died in Northfield, Ohio, May 27, 1881; married in Argyle, New York, March 6, 1823, Elizabeth Nelson; born at that place March 19, 1799; died in Northfield, Ohio, October 18, 1882. She was a daughter of Joseph (2) Nelson, and wife Mary, daughter of Lieutenant Daniel McCleary.

Children:

i. Daniel Nelson (2), born Dec. 9, 1823. (Portrait, page 236.)

ii. John, born Feb. 24, 1825.

DANIEL NELSON (2) BOYD was born in Argyle, New York, December 9, 1823; died in Burt, Iowa, February 4,

v. Marcus D., born Nov. 21, 1854. Now living in Los Angeles, Cal.

vi. Elliot L., born Apr. 11, 1857; married Aug. 4, 1880, at Leland, Ill., Ella Wood. They have brought up a family and are now living in Aurora, Ill.

vii. A son, died Oct. 3, 1859.

Tobias Britt Cole emigrated with his family from Ohio to Somonauk, Illinois, in a covered wagon in the spring of 1853. Mr. and Mrs. Cole at once united with the Associate Church of Somonauk. They purchased one hundred sixty acres from the government in Clinton township and moved into a small cabin in Somonauk township while the erection of a house on the farm was in progress.

After the death of his wife in 1860 Mr. Cole returned with his children to Ohio. On April 24, 1862, he married second, Mrs. Elizabeth (Selders) McMillan, at Rushsylvania, Ohio. In the spring of 1863 he returned with his family to his homestead in Illinois.

Children by second marriage:

i. Anna (2), born Feb. 16, 1863; died at Xenia, Ohio, Nov. 21, 1899; married September, 1882, at Winchester, Kan., Edward H. Vance.

ii. Ruth, born Dec. 11, 1864; died when a small girl.

iii. Chase, born Aug. 5, 1866; married Feb. 14, 1900, Margaret R. Bennett. Served in Company A, 20th Kansas Infantry, U. S. Volunteers, in the Spanish-American War. Now living in Canon City, Colo.

iv. Hugh Moffett, born Nov. 28, 1868, in De Kalb County, Ill.; married Oct. 12, 1892, at Winchester, Kan., Emma Hurst. They are now living in Valley Falls, Kan.

v. Ralph E., died in infancy.

vi. Abner, born July 18, 1871, in De Kalb County, Ill.; married at Winchester, Kan., Ella Hurst. They are now living near Oskaloosa, Kan.

Mr. Cole was a man of decided opinions, but one of the most kind-hearted, frequently giving his personal services to neighbors who were ill or in misfortune. He sold his farm in Illinois and removed to Kansas, near Winchester, in the spring of 1881, hoping the change of climate would prove beneficial to his health. Here he died three years later. His wife, Elizabeth (Selders) Cole, died September 3, 1892.

The second wife of Tobias Britt (1), Elizabeth (Selders) Cole, was born March 28, 1831, in Ohio; married first, May 4, 1848, Brice J. Wood; second, August 5, 1854, Alexander McMillan.

The Dobbin Family

The Dobbin family is of French Huguenot descent and the present name is a corruption of the name D'Aubigne. There are good reasons for believing that the family was driven from France during the Huguenot persecution and took refuge in Scotland. Later they crossed the Irish Sea to the north of Ireland and settled in County Antrim. A manuscript history of this family is in the hands of Miss Hattie M. Dobbin, of East Greenwich, New York.

JOHN (1) DOBBIN was born early in the eighteenth century in Connagher, County Antrim. He married Mary Miller, of the same place.

Children:

i. William (2), born Feb. 22, 1771.

ii. James.

iii. John, born Mar. 17, 1776.

iv. David, died Feb. 19, 1861, aged 82 years.

v. Miller, married Margaret Mains.

vi. Samuel, married first, Sarah Mains; second, Anna McNaughton Dyer. Both were great granddaughters of Alexander McNaughton.

vii. Sarah, died young.

During the Revolutionary War John (1) came to America and fought on the side of the Colonists until the close of the war, when he returned to Ireland. Not long after his return his wife died.

When the Irish Rebellion failed in 1798 the Dobbin family, having espoused the cause of liberty, found themselves at the mercy of their enemies. James (2) and John (2) departed at once for America, but William, having been recognized and a price put on his head, remained in hiding.

John (1) Dobbin, with his three youngest sons, David, Miller and Samuel, came to America when Samuel was nine years old. They landed in Virginia and completed their journey northward, several hundred miles, on foot. The father was quite feeble and could travel but slowly, so the two elder boys went on, leaving him and Samuel to follow as their strength would permit. After a painful journey of weeks they reached Washington County, New York. John (1) Dobbin is buried in an unmarked grave in the old McNaughton burial-ground on Lot No. 32 of the Argyle Patent, now Christie Cemetery.

WILLIAM (2) DOBBIN, born in Connagher, County Antrim, Ireland, February 22, 1771; died June 24, 1858; married 1793, Margaret, daughter of Samuel and Jane (Dobbin) Andrew, born in November, 1771.

On June 19, 1824, William and his family, except his two eldest sons, who had already emigrated, came to America and settled in Jackson township, Washington County, New York. William (2) was a ruling elder in the United Presbyterian Church in Shushan, in that county, but is buried in South Argyle. Many of his descendants were members of the Somonauk church in De Kalb County, Illinois.

Children:

i. Samuel (3), born July 5, 1794.

ii. John, born 1796.

iii. Joseph, born July 5, 1799.

iv. Mary, born June, 1800; died 1803.

v. Jane, born April, 1804; married James McAllister, Sr. (See page 168.)

vi. William Miller, born July, 1806.

vii. James, born July, 1808.

viii. James second, born July, 1810; died at sea.

ix. David Miller, born Jan. 31, 1813.

x. Mary second, born June 14, 1815; married Sept. 25, 1845, John Nelson.

SAMUEL (3) DOBBIN, born July 5, 1794; died in Greenwich, Washington County, New York, in 1866; married Elizabeth, daughter of Peter Christie, a Revolutionary soldier. Their daughter Margaret married, as his second wife, John Walker. (See page 237.)

JOHN (3) DOBBIN, born in Ireland in 1796; married Rachel McLean in Washington County, New York, where she died in middle life. He died in Salem, N. Y.

Child:

i. James McLean (4), born in Washington County, N. Y.; died Jan. 11, 1863, from a wound received in the battle of Chickasaw Bayou. He is buried in Oak Mound Cemetery. He married Nov. 25, 1858, Annette S. Stewart. (See Stewart Family.)

Child:

i. Dwight Stewart (5), born Dec. 29, 1859; died Aug. 8, 1863.

JOSEPH (3) DOBBIN, born July 5, 1799; married his cousin Martha S. Dobbin.

JANE (3) DOBBIN, born April, 1804; married James McAllister. (See page 168.)

WILLIAM MILLER (3) DOBBIN, born July, 1806; married Mehitabel Milliman. They came to Henderson County, Illinois, in 1842.

JAMES (3) DOBBIN, born July, 1808; died an infant.

JAMES (3) DOBBIN, second, born July, 1810; killed or drowned at sea, aged 24 years.

DAVID MILLER (3) DOBBIN, born in Connagher, in the Parish of Ballamoney, County Armagh, Ireland, January 31, 1813; came to America in 1824, when eleven years of age; died November 29, 1898, at his home in Viola, Kansas.

David Miller Dobbin married first, in the township of Jackson, Washington County, New York, January 18, 1836, Charity Irvine Graham; born in Washington County, New York, August 11, 1816; died in Reynoldsburg, Ohio, June 16, 1839; daughter of John W. and Margaret Irvine Graham and granddaughter of William and Mary (McBurney) Graham of Salem, New York.

Children:

i. William John (4), born Dec. 5, 1836.
ii. Mary Jane, born Mar. 18, 1839; died Aug. 16, 1839.

David Miller (3) Dobbin married second, in the township of Jackson, Washington County, New York, April —, 1843, Mary Jane French; born in Cambridge, New York, October 26, 1819; died in Squaw Grove township, De Kalb County, Illinois, January 27, 1848; daughter of Jonathan and Ann (Edgar) French.

Children:

i. Margaret Ann (4), born Dec. 31, 1844; married Thomas Irwin, Aug. 28, 1872; died Jan. 2, 1874.
ii. James Blair, born Oct. 13, 1847; married Dec. 29, 1877, Lucretia Carr; died at Viola, Kan., May 21, 1919.

David Miller (3) Dobbin married third, in the home of her sister, Mrs. Margaret Thompson, in Victor township, De Kalb County, Illinois, September 9, 1852, Eliza, daughter of John and Elizabeth (Hall) Stott; born in Argyle, Washington County, New York, Feb. 17, 1817; died near Viola, Kansas, October 25, 1903.

Children:

i. Sarah Mary (4), born June 16, 1853; married Feb. 15, 1877, Miles Robinson.
ii. Eliza Jane, born June 29, 1855; married May 17, 1883, James Irvine More.
iii. Agnes Isabella, born Feb. 24, 1857; married Mar. 15, 1883, Walter Speer.
iv. Emma, born Sept. 4, 1859; married Sept. 16, 1881, J. H. Robinson.

WILLIAM JOHN (4) DOBBIN, born in Washington County, New York, December 5, 1836; died in Viola, Kansas, July 8, 1922; married first June 9, 1859, Sarah Ann Stewart, born August 9, 1837; died December 13, 1880, in De Kalb County, Illinois. Mr. Dobbin came to Illinois with his father in 1844. Both he and Mrs. Dobbin were active members of the Somonauk United Presbyterian Church.

Children:

i. Albert (5), born Mar. 28, 1860.
ii. Henry George, born June 9, 1863.
iii. Charity Agnes, born Jan. 2, 1866.
iv. Mabel, born Oct. 4, 1870.
v. Stewart, born Oct. 4, 1870.
vi. Benjamin Miller, born Dec. 12, 1880.

William John (4) Dobbin married second, February 28, 1882, his cousin Nancy Ferguson.

ALBERT (5) DOBBIN, born March 28, 1860, in De Kalb County, Illinois; died in California, December 10, 1924;

married, first, March 27, 1883, Clara Graham, born February 27, 1864; died March 27, 1894, at Viola, Kansas. Their one child died in infancy. He moved to California in 1894 and married, second, March 8, 1899, Louise Adams Benson, who died near Chino, California, December 10, 1923.

Child:

i. Silvia Helen (6), born Jan. 20, 1900; married Earl Dawson.

HENRY GEORGE (5) DOBBIN, born in De Kalb County, Illinois, June 9, 1863; died December 18, 1905; married February 21, 1901, Mrs. Mary (Livingston) Nighswonger; born February 21, 1869.

Children:

i. Marjorie M. (6), born May 23, 1904.
ii. Juanita H., born June 7, 1906; died July 30, 1908.

CHARITY AGNES (5) DOBBIN, born in De Kalb County, Illinois, January 2, 1866; married Charles Ellsworth Stinson at Viola, Kansas, December 31, 1885.

Children:

i. Sara C. (6) Stinson, born Nov. 30, 1886; died May 14, 1911.
ii. Ralph Turnbull Stinson, born Nov. 17, 1889.
iii. Max William Stinson, born Dec. 13, 1891.
iv. Mabel Jean Stinson, born Jan. 13, 1894.
v. Helen Etter Stinson, born Feb. 23, 1896.
vi. Mary Stewart Stinson, born Feb. 23, 1896.
vii. Robert Campbell Stinson, born Dec. 30, 1897.
viii. Edith Stinson, born Dec. 30, 1899.
ix. Charles Willis Stinson, born Mar. 9, 1902.
x. Leroy Dobbin Stinson, born Aug. 30, 1905.
xi. Marle T. Stinson, born May 11, 1910.

STEWART (5) DOBBIN, born in De Kalb County, Illinois, October 4, 1870; married near Viola, Kansas, February 20, 1896, May Graham; born in Indianola, Iowa, November 25, 1872.

Children:

i. Wilda M. (6), born Oct. 5, 1897.
ii. Glen, born Sept. 22, 1899.
iii. Blanch Martha, born July 28, 1903; married, Sept. 11, 1924, Albert Warner, born Aug. 7, 1903.
iv. Emma Lucile, born July 28, 1907.
v. John Ralph, born Oct. 15, 1911.

BENJAMIN MILLER (5) DOBBIN, born in De Kalb County, Illinois, December 12, 1880; married May 22, 1907, near Viola, Kansas, Elizabeth Jane Robinson, born Mar. 17, 1883. Mr. Dobbin has been a minister of the gospel for over twenty years and is at present pastor of the United Presbyterian Church at Pretty Prairie, Kansas.

JOHN (2) DOBBIN, born March 17, 1776, in Ireland; died March 22, 1861; married Jane McKillip in Washington County, New York. He came to America in 1798 and settled in Washington County, New York.

Children:

i. John (3).
ii. David.
iii. James S., married Mrs. Elizabeth Bacon Ames.
iv. Maria.
v. Martha.
vi. Sarah.
vii. Ann, born Aug. 5, 1807.

ANN (3) DOBBIN, born August 5, 1807; died in 1847; was a charter member of the Somonauk church. She removed from Washington County, New York, to Somonauk, Illinois,

some time previous to March 18, 1846, for on that date she united with the Associate Church there. She married, as his second wife, July 4, 1846, Francis Telford, a son of James and Elizabeth (McAuley) Telford, both of Jackson, Washington County, New York, and died November 16, 1847, leaving no issue. Francis Telford, born March 20, 1809, died September 27, 1887, in Mason City, Iowa.

DAVID (2) DOBBIN, died February 19, 1861, aged 82 years; married first, —— McKay; second, Nancy Lourie.

Children:

i. John (3).
ii. Elizabeth, married James Mains, Jr., a brother of Sarah and Margaret Mains.
iii. Mary, married —— Harrison.
iv. Martha, married James Foster.
v. Jane, married William Telford, of Argyle.

MILLER (2) DOBBIN married first, Margaret Mains, a great-granddaughter of Alexander McNaughton; second, Mrs. Margaret Tinkey Beattie.

Children of first marriage:

i. Samuel (3).
ii. Margaret.
iii. Jane.
iv. Eleanor.

Child of second marriage:

i. Sarah (3).

SAMUEL (2) DOBBIN, who came into possession of Alexander McNaughton's land in that part of Argyle now Greenwich, married first, February 4, 1810, Sarah Mains; second, Mrs. Anna McNaughton Dyer.

Children:

i. Margaret (3), died in infancy.
ii. Alexander.
iii. William.
iv. Mary.
v. Eleanor Livingston, married George (3) Walker. (See page 235.)
vi. Isabel.
vii. James, married Catherine Campbell.
viii. John Miller, married Phoebe McL. Graham. Their daughter Hattie (4) Dobbin, of East Greenwich, N. Y., has the family history in manuscript.

The Ferguson Family

JAMES (1) FERGUSON was born May 18, 1798, in Washington County, New York; died February 3, 1872, in Somonauk township, De Kalb County, Illinois, from the effects of a fall. He married Nancy A. Graham, fifth child of John W. and Margaret Irvine Graham (see Graham Family), born August 7, 1807, in Washington County, New York; died at Somonauk, Illinois, June 1, 1893. They were married February 28, 1830, and lived in Franklin County, Ohio, purchasing a farm near the village of Reynoldsburg, where they lived until the spring of 1851. They then removed to De Kalb County, Illinois, and bought a farm in Somonauk township. There they lived for the rest of their lives.

They were members of the Associate Church in New York and Ohio, and also in Illinois, until 1858, when the Associate Church united with the Associated Reformed Church, forming the United Presbyterian Church, which continued to be their home church.

They were ever ready to do their part in any good work. "Aunt Nancy," as she was called, was quick to respond in case of sickness or need.

Children:

i. Robert (2), born May 7, 1834, in Washington Co., N. Y.; married Apr. 28, 1861, Eleanor (5), daughter of Jesse Kirkpatrick; born June 12, 1832.

ii. Nancy Maxwell, born Apr. 2, 1837; married Feb. 28, 1882, William John (3) Dobbin; died Aug. 19, 1926, in her ninetieth year.

iii. Margaret, born Aug. 12, 1843, in Franklin County, Ohio; married Joseph T. Fulton; born Jan. 17, 1835, in Logan County, Ohio. They were married in her father's house, in De Kalb County, Nov. 7, 1864. In August, 1862, he enlisted in Company H, 105th Regiment Illinois Infantry. He was wounded at the battle of Resaca, Ga. In 1869 they removed to Winchester, Kan., and settled on a farm. After several years of farming they removed to Topeka, Kan., and Mr. Fulton entered the real estate business there. He died at the age of sixty-two. Corporal Fulton was a man of ability, a fine scholar, and a good executive. He was elected an elder of the Somonauk U. P. Church in 1867. Mrs. Fulton and her daughter Clara now live in Los Angeles, Cal.

Children:

i. Josephine Agnes (3) Fulton.
ii. James Elbert Fulton.
iii. Robert Moffett Fulton.
iv. Ralph Erskin Fulton.
v. Nancy Mary Fulton.
vi. William Shakespeare Fulton.
vii. Juanita Fulton.
viii. Margaret Belle Fulton.
ix. Clara Dimple Fulton.

iv. William Connell, born Oct. 15, 1846.

WILLIAM CONNELL (2) FERGUSON, born October 15, 1846, near Reynoldsburg, Ohio; died September 2, 1923; married October 14, 1878, Samantha Wood; born September 13, 1851, in Ohio. William lived with his parents during their lifetime and continued to make the farm his family homestead after their death. He was an elder of the church for some years.

Children:

i. Ralph (3).
ii. Agnes B.
iii. Bryce James.
iv. Helen W.
v. Robert Harvey.
vi. William K.
vii. Howard.
viii. Hugh Russell.
ix. Elizabeth B.

The French Family

WILLIAM (1) FRENCH, born in Halsted, Essex, England, March 15, 1603, came to Boston, Massachusetts, in the ship *Defense* in 1635. He married Elizabeth Symmes and settled first in Cambridge and later in Billerica, Massachusetts. He was a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts.

SAMUEL (2) FRENCH, married Sarah, daughter of John Cummings, and settled in the part of Dunstable, Massachusetts, that is now in New Hampshire.

There are two generations missing in this line, unless they were Joseph (3) and Samson (4) French.

JONATHAN (5) FRENCH, born in Dunstable, Massachusetts, September 22, 1751; died May 17, 1838; married Jean Blair, a daughter of Colonel John Blair; died July 4, 1831.

Captain Jonathan (5) French and his brother David (see page 119) settled in Cambridge, New York, before the Revolutionary War. The brothers enlisted May 21, 1775, and Jona-

than served throughout the war, both serving later in the Albany County Militia under Captain John Blair.

Children:

i. John Blair (6), born about 1780.
ii. Beveridge.
iii. Clement.

JOHN BLAIR (6) FRENCH, born about 1780; married first Margaret Crawford.

Child:

i. Jonathan (7).

John Blair (6) French married as his second wife Robena McMicken.

Children:

i. David (7), died at Reynoldsburg, Ohio, aged 14.
ii. John McMicken.
iii. Rensselaer W., born Mar. 11, 1814.
iv. Robert.
v. William.
vi. David.
vii. Janet.

RENSSELAER W. (7) FRENCH, born March 11, 1814, at Worcester, New York; died February 22, 1902, at Chicago; married April 24, 1839, Nancy, a daughter of John Pollock; born at Gratiot, Ohio, October 2, 1819; died at Peotone, Illinois, August 18, 1880. (Portrait, see page 134.)

Mr. French was licensed to preach at Wooster by the Associate Presbyterian Presbytery at Richmond, Ohio, July 13, 1843. His first pastorate was at North Henderson, Mercer County, Illinois, July, 1844, and dimitted May, 1849.

His second pastorate was at Somonauk, De Kalb County, Illinois, where he was installed in November, 1849, which

charge he held until September, 1859. The details of his pastorate are related in the history of this church.

Children:

i. John Pollock (8), born Feb. 14, 1840; died Nov. 12, 1856.
ii. Robena Jane McMicken, born Apr. 29, 1841; died May 3, 1879; married Rev. N. H. Brown, 1862.
iii. Mary Anne, born Jan. 20, 1843; died Sept. 1, 1883.
iv. Albert C., born Dec. 12, 1852.

ALBERT C. (9) FRENCH, born December 12, 1852; married September 7, 1875, Mary Stuart Taylor, of Elgin, Scotland. They reside in Chicago.

Children:

i. Rensselaer W. (10).
ii. Harvey B.
iii. Jennie M.
iv. Albert Chanceller.
v. Marguerita Wilton.
vi. Robert Gordon.

DAVID (5) FRENCH, born in Dunstable, Massachusetts, January 23, 1753; died in Salem, New York, November 6, 1836; married first in Cambridge, about 1775, Susanna, daughter of Colonel John and Sarah Blair of Pelham, Massachusetts, and Cambridge, New York, who was born in Pelham, Massachusetts, April 22, 1748; died in Cambridge, New York, before 1820. He married second, about 1820, Elizabeth, daughter of John Foster, one of Dr. Clark's ruling elders.

Children by first marriage:

i. Benjamin (6), born Oct. 26, 1776; died in 1857; married Charlotte Miller of South Argyle, N. Y.
ii. John, married and removed to Ohio in 1817.
iii. Jonathan, born in 1781.

iv. Rev. David, born Aug. 11, 1783; died in Taylorstown, Pa., in 1855; married Sarah McClellan and had five sons who were United Presbyterian ministers.

v. Solomon, born in 1787; died Apr. 29, 1858; unmarried.

JONATHAN (6) FRENCH, born in 1781, in the township of Cambridge, Washington County, New York; died in Squaw Grove township, De Kalb County, Illinois, in 1848; married in Cambridge, New York, in 1805, Ann, daughter of William and Ann Edgar of Pelham, Massachusetts, and Cambridge, New York; born in Cambridge, New York, in 1783; died in Squaw Grove township in 1847.

Children, all born in Cambridge:

i. Elizabeth (7), born Sept. 3, 1806; died in Jackson, Washington County, N. Y., May 23, 1869; married July 15, 1824, George Armstrong.

ii. Ann, born Mar. 20, 1809; died in Jackson, N. Y., Feb. 14, 1887; married Feb. 17, 1833, James Hill.

iii. William, born Sept. 30, 1811.

iv. Dr. Jonathan B., born in 1813; died in the home of his brother William in Somonauk, Ill., Dec. 26, 1843.

v. Alexander, born in Cambridge, N. Y.; married in Somonauk, Ill., Sept. 30, 1850, Eliza, daughter of Joseph A. Thompson. He was a charter member of the Associate Church. He removed to California and his family is not traced.

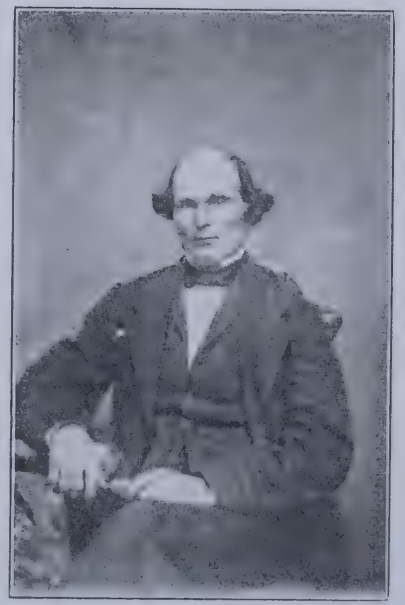
Children:

i. Martin (8).
ii. Joseph.
iii. Elizabeth.
iv. ————

vi. Susanna, died unmarried in Washington County, N. Y.

William French

Mrs. William French (Isabel Beveridge) Charter Member



James Henry

Mrs. James Henry (Jennett Beveridge)

vii. Mary Jane, born Oct. 26, 1819; married Apr. 1, 1843, David Miller Dobbin as his second wife. She was a charter member of the Associate Church. (See page 110.)

viii. Sarah, born in 1821; died in the house of her brother, James W. French, Feb. 1, 1881. She is buried in Oak Mound Cemetery. She was a charter member of the Associate Church in Somonauk, Illinois. (Portrait, see page 218.)

ix. James W., born Oct. 26, 1826.

WILLIAM (7) FRENCH was born September 30, 1811; died in Somonauk, Illinois, July 19, 1880; married October 29, 1838, Isabel, daughter of George (2) and Ann (Hoy) Beveridge; born November 17, 1815, in the township of Cambridge, Washington County, New York; died April 15, 1894, in Sandwich, Illinois. They came to Somonauk with George and Ann (Hoy) Beveridge in 1842 and settled on a claim on the Somonauk Creek. Mrs. French was a charter member of the church, and Mr. French later became a member. They are both buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

Children:

i. Ellen Ann (8), born in Washington County, N. Y., Dec. 20, 1840; died in Goldfield, Iowa, Nov. 12, 1905; married Oct. 12, 1860, Chester (3) Henry. (See page 152.)

ii. Mary Elizabeth, born 1844; died 1872; married 1863, Thomas Irwin. (See page 159.)

iii. Sarah Agnes, born Mar. 13, 1846; died June 10, 1926; married Jan. 2, 1872, James Martin (3) McCleery. (See page 180.)

iv. John Blair, born Nov. 24, 1848; died unmarried Oct. 18, 1866.

v. George Beveridge, born Dec. 19, 1850; died Nov. 15, 1915; married first, Dec. 31, 1879, Clara M. (6) Kirkpatrick; born May 4, 1853, daughter of Isaac and Sarah (Elliott) Kirkpatrick.

Children:

i. Mary Ella (9).

ii. William.

He married second, in 1896, Sarah M. Orr, who died Nov. 17, 1915.

Child:

i. Paul (9).

vi. Andrew L., born Mar. 15, 1853; died Feb. 26, 1891; married Feb. 27, 1884, Agnes, daughter of Samuel and Agnes (Stewart) McBride.

vii. Jeannette, born Mar. 15, 1856; married Nov. 29, 1876, Thomas J. McIlhenney.

Children:

i. Andrew (9) McIlhenney.

ii. Joseph McIlhenney.

iii. Isabel McIlhenney.

iv. J. Hoy McIlhenney.

JAMES W. (7) FRENCH, born October 26, 1826, in Washington County, New York; died in Goldfield, Iowa, February 14, 1890; married September —, 1852, Mary Ann Skinner, daughter of Alexander and Elizabeth (Armstrong) Skinner, who was born in South Argyle, New York, November 5, 1826, and died in Clarion, Iowa, May, 1907.

Mr. French lived on the farm in Squaw Grove township that his father had purchased of the government in 1844, until February, 1890, when he removed to Goldfield, Iowa, where

he suddenly passed away a day or two after his arrival. He and his wife are buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

Children:

i. Alexander Skinner (8), born Nov. 8, 1855; married Dec. 31, 1885, Theresa Agnes McClellan; born Aug. 14, 1863, daughter of James and Emeline (Stewart) McClellan.

Children:

i. Walter B. (9), born June 8, 1888.

ii. Alta Grace, born July 27, 1891, was graduated from Monmouth College in 1913, and is now a missionary in Egypt, sent by the Woman's Board of the U. P. Church.

iii. John M., born Oct. 20, 1898. He is a farmer near Goldfield, Iowa.

iv. Francis May, born Apr. 4, 1903.

The four children were graduated from the high school of Goldfield, Iowa.

ii. Susan (8), unmarried and living with her brother William in Waterloo, Iowa.

iii. Anna Elizabeth, born Oct. 15, 1859; died May 4, 1895.

iv. William J., born Aug. 15, 1863; married Sept. 29, 1886, Sarah E. (4) Henry, daughter of Chester and Ellen Ann (French) Henry.

Children:

i. Elsie May (9) was graduated from Monmouth College and is now a missionary in Egypt and superintendent of the Central Girls' High School in Alexandria.

ii. Mary Ellen, graduate of Monmouth College and teacher of French and mathematics in the high school, Onawa, Iowa.

iii. Leile B., at home.

The Gilchrist Family

The surname Gilchrist is derived from two Gaelic words Gille and Criosd, meaning the servants of Christ.

THOMAS (1) GILCHRIST, ancestor of this branch of the Gilchrist family, was born in County Monaghan, Ireland, in April, 1766. He came to America when a young man and was a large landowner in Argyle and Hebron, Washington County, New York. He died in Hebron, February 25, 1849.

The surname of Mary, his first wife and the mother of his children, is not known. Her death occurred February 18, 1832, at Hebron, she being then sixty-two years of age. His will, dated February 20, 1849, and probated April 24, 1849, named five sons and a daughter. His will also mentions his second wife, Mary, and a niece Mary, a daughter of his brother, Andrew Gilchrist. Huggins was the name of one of his wives.

Children:

i. William (2).
ii. John.
iii. James.
iv. Robert.
v. Joseph.
vi. Eleanor.

JOSEPH (2) GILCHRIST, the youngest son, was born in Hebron, Washington County, New York, June 2, 1814; died in Clinton township, De Kalb County, Illinois, June 22, 1910; married in Hebron, New York, February 7, 1839, Martha Jane Randles; born June 22, 1816; died May 21, 1883; daughter of Alexander (3) Randles and his wife Mary A. Loudon, and granddaughter of Hugh Randles and wife Jane, daughter of Alexander McClellan of Hebron, New York.

Joseph Gilchrist and family came from West Hebron, New York, to De Kalb County, Illinois, in 1864, settling in Clinton township. They united with the Somonauk Presbyterian Church and were members for years.

Children, born at West Hebron, N. Y.:

i. Alexander R. (3), born Aug. 29, 1840; died Oct. 3, 1845.
ii. Anna Mary, born Oct. 13, 1841; died May 21, 1870; married Jan. 14, 1868, James Elliott Kirkpatrick. (See page 166.)
iii. Albert Leroy, born Mar. 2, 1843; died Dec. 24, 1926.
iv. Andrew T., born Oct. 4, 1844; died Nov. 9, 1846.
v. Margaret I., born Aug. 10, 1846; died May 2, 1864.
vi. Wallace, born June 6, 1848; died Feb. 3, 1915; married Dec. 29, 1881, Jane H. Stott.
vii. Sarah Jane, born May 25, 1850; died Feb. ——, 1894.
viii. Emma J., born July 21, 1852; died Aug. 18, 1865.
ix. Alexander, born Mar. 25, 1854; died Jan. 29, 1907.
x. Andrew R., born Mar. 22, 1856; married first, Dec. 26, 1890, Elizabeth M. Stewart; married second, Jan. 4, 1899, Jane E. Grey.
xi. Isadore A., born June 25, 1859; died Jan. 1, 1862.
xii. Jane Hannah, born Oct. 19, 1860; married Feb. 10, 1887, George F. McKnight.

ALBERT LEROY (3) GILCHRIST, born March 2, 1843; died December 24, 1926, in Waterman, Illinois; married first, January 11, 1870, Ellen Mary Forsyth, who died April 3, 1890; married second, April 20, 1893, Vella M. Morton.

Child:

i. Margaret (4), married Walter R. Wilson.

Children:

i. Florence A. (5) Wilson.
ii. Walter B. Wilson.
iii. Robert W. Wilson.

ALEXANDER (3) GILCHRIST, a son of Joseph and Martha Jane (Randles) Gilchrist, was born in West Hebron, Washington County, New York, March 25, 1854; married October 22, 1886, Cora Seaton of Richmond, Indiana.

Children:

i. Albert (4).
ii. Ruth.

He came to Somonauk, Illinois, with his parents in the spring of 1864. They bought a farm and settled in Clinton township. Alexander united with the church, June 24, 1871, at the age of fifteen years. Later he attended Monmouth College for a few years. He graduated from Wooster University, Ohio, with the class of 1879. From there he went to Allegheny Theological Seminary and was licensed to preach on June 7, 1881. Not long after, he received a call to become the pastor of the United Presbyterian Church at Richmond, Indiana, was ordained, and was installed June 3, 1882. Dr. Gilchrist lived at Richmond until October 11, 1895, when he accepted a call to the Central United Presbyterian Church at Omaha, Nebraska, and began his pastorate there in 1895.

June 28, 1899, he was appointed to the office of corresponding secretary of the United Presbyterian Board of Home Missions, with headquarters in Allegheny, Pennsylvania. He died January 27, 1907, soon after his return from a visit to the missions of Wyoming.

ANDREW (3) GILCHRIST, born March 22, 1856, married first, December 26, 1890, Elizabeth M. (8) Stewart, a daughter of Alexander M. Stewart and Jane Collins.

Child:

i. Alexander Stewart (4).

The Graham Family

In the seventeenth century some of the Graham families of Scotland took refuge in northern Ireland because of religious persecution. They accepted the Presbyterian faith.

In 1774, John and William Graham, brothers, sailed from County Down, Ireland, near Belfast, for America, for the same reason that the Reverend Thomas Clark, M. D., and his congregation of Scotch-Irish Presbyterians had so done nine years previously—on account of persecution by the Established Church.

John and William and their families had a long and tedious voyage of sixteen weeks in a sailing vessel, being driven hither and thither by storms, among icebergs in the northern Atlantic. Provisions ran short and were dealt out to them in scant measure. Because of such extreme hardships some of their children died and were buried at sea. They landed at last in New York City. From lack of facilities for transportation, perhaps, or more probably from lack of funds, they made their way on foot for two hundred miles north and settled in Washington County, New York, within the bounds of Dr. Clark's congregation at Salem.

WILLIAM (1) GRAHAM, the ancestor of the Grahams who came to Somonauk, was born in the north of Ireland, March 17, 1750. His wife, whose maiden name was Mary McBurney, was born about the same date. They appear to have married before they were twenty years of age. William entered the Continental army. His description of a night of hardship during the Revolution follows.

"One morning we were ordered to march. It was a cold rainy day throughout. Late at night we were ordered to halt, to wrap in our blankets, if we were so fortunate to have one, and lie on the ground to sleep without fire or light, for the enemy was near.

"We were all soaked with rain. It turned bitter cold in the night, and in the morning when ordered to arise my hair (then worn long) and that of many others, was frozen to the ground. The blankets were also frozen around us so it was difficult to unfasten them. Severe colds were contracted that night from which some of the men never fully recovered."

William and his wife joined Dr. Clark's church at Salem and were members until the union between the Associate and the Reformed Presbyterian Church (called the Associate Reformed) in the latter part of the eighteenth century. Not all members of each denomination joined the union, thus making three denominations instead of one, the Associate, the Associate Reformed, and the Reformed Presbyterians.

William Graham and family severed their connection with the Salem church and joined the organization of the Associate Church of Coila, a few miles from Salem, which was organized in 1785. William became an elder there in 1800, and in 1807 signed the call for Dr. Bullions, who remained pastor at Coila for fifty years.

On September 30, 1817, William and wife, his son George, with his wife and seven children, and his wife's sister Margaret, left Cambridge, New York, some in a wagon and some on horseback, and after six weeks of travel over rough roads and almost trackless wilderness, reached Franklin County in central Ohio. There they settled in the heavily timbered woods and cleared a farm in the new country. It had been a tiresome journey; George Graham's wife told a granddaughter that she rode on horseback hundreds of miles, carrying a baby in her arms, while another child was born soon after the family reached Ohio.

William and his wife were charter members of the Associate Church of Truro, Franklin County, Ohio, organized in 1817. He was one of the first elders. Pioneers in the virgin woods of two states, New York and Ohio, they lived useful

lives, and there are today about two thousand of their living descendants in the United States.

Children:

i. John W. (2), born May 2, 1775.

ii. George, born June 2, 1777. (See page 141.)

JOHN W. (2) GRAHAM was born in Salem, Washington County, New York, May 2, 1775, and died near Reynoldsburg, Ohio, May 29, 1848; he married in Washington County, New York, about 1797, Margaret, daughter of James Irvine of Cambridge, New York; born March 29, 1779; died in Washington County, New York, March 5, 1823.

Children:

i. William Irvine (3), born July 29, 1798; died June 3, 1877; married Apr. 17, 1821, Eunice Gillette; born Dec. 7, 1798, who was a descendant of Rev. Guillaume Gillette, a French Huguenot, who, to avoid religious persecution, fled from France to America in 1688.

ii. James, born Dec. 10, 1799; died May 6, 1830; married Feb. 28, 1823, Jane Adams McLean.

iii. Mary, born Aug. 10, 1802; died Jan. 24, 1832.

iv. Robert, born Mar. 14, 1805. (See page 132.)

v. Nancy A., born Aug. 7, 1807; died June 1, 1893; married Feb. 28, 1830, James Ferguson. (See page 115.)

vi. John G., born Oct. 25, 1809; died Aug. 19, 1849; married July 5, 1837, Fannie Williamson.

vii. George D., born Jan. 8, 1812. (See page 138.)

viii. Rosanna, born May 7, 1814. (See page 139.)

ix. Charity Irvine, born Aug. 11, 1816; died Jan. 14, 1849; married Jan. 18, 1836, David Miller Dobbin. (See page 110.)

x. Elizabeth Jane, born Aug. 14, 1818; died Mar. 13, 1890; married Mar. 24, 1840, James McIntyre.

WILLIAM IRVINE (3) GRAHAM, eldest child of John W. and Margaret (Irvine) Graham, was born July 29, 1798, near Salem, Washington County, New York; married April 17, 1821, Eunice Gillette; born December 7, 1798. Mrs. Graham has an interesting ancestry. Her great-grandfather, Guillaume Gillette, a Huguenot clergyman and physician, came to America from France in 1688, being driven from there by religious persecution. Settling in Connecticut, he married Elizabeth Welsh of that state. His son, Elisha, a Baptist minister, married a daughter of Lieutenant-Governor Buckingham. Their son, Fidelio Buckingham, married Tabitha Dunham, a descendant of the Puritans of New England. They removed to Washington County, New York, where they reared their family.

Child:

i. Abner Warner (4), born Feb. 7, 1840.

William Irvine (3) Graham and his wife removed to Putnam, near Lake George, where they bought a farm. Later they lost the farm because of a defective title and had to start at the bottom again. They were the parents of thirteen children, one of whom is the subject of the following sketch.

ABNER WARNER (4) GRAHAM, born February 7, 1840; died January 25, 1925, at Riverside, California; married at Reynoldsburg, Ohio, November 6, 1866, Mary Forrester; born June 20, 1847, near Reynoldsburg, Ohio; died April 5, 1917, at her home in Tarkio, Missouri. She was the daughter of the Reverend Robert Forrester, twenty-two years a pastor in Reynoldsburg.

Children:

i. Nellie L. (5)
ii. Margaret.
iii. William Forrester, a minister and a poet.
iv. John Gillette, a banker.

Abner Warner Graham came with his father's family from Washington County, New York, to Reynoldsburg, Ohio, May 12, 1852. He worked on the farm and attended the district school. A bright, active mind, he was a diligent student and an exhaustive reader, so that when he was seventeen years of age he began to teach school. His first school was large, about sixty pupils, ranging from small children to adults, and his wages were $3.50 per week. This was the spring of 1857, when the wages of the laborer were very meager. He continued teaching during the school year of five or six months and worked as a laborer the rest of the time. In the spring of 1861, for a few months, he attended Central College, Iberia, Ohio, where ex-President Harding afterward attended. The Civil War broke out that spring, and after fulfilling his previous engagement to teach a winter and spring term he enlisted May 31, 1862, in Company A, 50th Regiment, Ohio Volunteers Infantry, and served to the end of the war. His regiment was almost constantly in the field, the first two years in Kentucky and Tennessee and then with General Sherman through to Atlanta. At Atlanta his corps was detached and went with General Thomas to subdue the Confederate army of the West. At Franklin the opposing armies were in hand-to-hand combat with bayonets and swords. During the Atlanta campaign, and while with General Thomas in the West, he commanded his corps, his superior officers being, one in the hospital, and the other on detached duty.

At this time his regiment was so reduced that on January 1, 1865, it was consolidated with the 99th O. V. I. When they were no longer needed in the West, his corps, the 23rd, was sent east by way of Washington and the coast to North Carolina to join Sherman's army as it came north from Savannah after the "March to the Sea." The trip was one of hardship—by boat from southern Tennessee to Cincinnati. From there to Washington by freight train in the dead of winter, without

fire, with insufficient clothing; they were a week on the way. En route through Ohio he passed within two miles of his father's home. At Washington they took a steamer and in four days more the corps landed near Wilmington, North Carolina, from which place they marched across the country to Goldsboro, where they joined General Sherman's army. Ordered to march out after Confederate General Johnston's army, they had reached Raleigh, North Carolina, when the news of Lee's surrender caused general rejoicing. They lay at Raleigh until the surrender of Johnston's army, which closed the war, but were not discharged until July 17, 1865.

In 1868, with his wife and child, Mr. Graham came to De Kalb County, Illinois, where he engaged with Culver Brothers as a salesman in their general store in Sandwich. They at once joined the United Presbyterian Church of Somonauk, of which they were useful members for many years.

In 1882 he went into a mercantile partnership in Biggsville, Illinois. In the fall of 1884 he was elected on the Republican ticket to the lower house of the legislature as a representative of the 24th district, composed of the counties of Hancock, Henderson and Mercer. In 1888 with his family he removed to Tarkio, Missouri, where for seventeen years he was a salesman in the general store of Rankin, Travis & Company. In 1906 ill health obliged him to resign his position and spent the summer in Colorado. Having partly recovered, he returned to Tarkio and accepted the position of librarian of Tarkio College, which he held for eleven years, when he resigned and lived a retired life until his death in 1925. Abner W. Graham was a ruling elder in the church for more than thirty years, and a man of unblemished character, always exerting a strong influence in righteous causes.

ROBERT (3) GRAHAM was born March 14, 1805, in Washington County, New York; died in De Kalb County, Illinois, February 15, 1891; married March 20, 1834, Sarah

Williamson; born June 10, 1813, in Putnam, Washington County, New York; died October 27, 1911, aged ninety-eight years. Mrs. Graham is buried beside her husband in Oak Mound Cemetery. Her father, Daniel Williamson, from Cromarty, Scotland, and her mother, Margaret Ray, from County Down, Ireland, met in Washington County, New York, were married there early in the nineteenth century, and are buried in Putnam Cemetery.

In 1837 Robert with his wife and one child removed from Washington County, New York, to Reynoldsburg, Ohio, where they lived for nearly thirteen years. In the spring of 1850 he brought his family to Somonauk, Illinois, and settled on a new prairie farm in Victor township, De Kalb County, Illinois.

They were the thirty-fourth and thirty-fifth members enrolled in the Somonauk church. Their children all became members of the same church.

Children:

i. Margaret (4), born June 15, 1837, in New York state.

ii. Mary Ann, born Dec. 5, 1841, in Ohio.

iii. Andrew, born Dec. 9, 1844, in Ohio.

iv. Russell, born Feb. 24, 1847, in Ohio; was a minister of the gospel; received the degree of Doctor of Divinity, Westminster College. His first pastorate was in Briggsville, Illinois, where he served twelve and a half years, when he was called to the chair of Social Science in Monmouth College, his alma mater. He taught in the college for thirty-nine years, when failing health compelled him to resign all his official positions and give up all work. One year later, June 11, 1925, he died in his seventy-ninth year.

v. James, born July 27, 1849, in Ohio. (See page 137.)

ANDREW (4) GRAHAM, third child of Robert (3) and Sarah (Williamson) Graham, was born in Reynoldsburg, Ohio, on December 9, 1844. On December 26, 1872, at Somonauk, Illinois, he was united in marriage to Mary Robertson MacEachron, second child of Thomas and Margaret (Lendrum) MacEachron; born in Washington County, New York, January 10, 1851. Mrs. Graham died December 7, 1892.

Children:

i. Walter (5), born Dec. 21, 1874; unmarried.

ii. Bertha Jean, born Feb. 14, 1876; married near Aurora, Ill., Duncan Stewart MacDougall; born June 30, 1879, in Washington County, N. Y.

Children:

i. Clyde Graham (6) MacDougall, born Oct. 14, 1903.

ii. Mary Esther MacDougall, born July 18, 1905.

iii. Everette Stewart MacDougall, born May 29, 1911.

iv. James Verne MacDougall, born Dec. 18, 1916.

v. Eugene Roger MacDougall, born Dec. 3, 1919.

iii. Sarah Williamson (5), born July 29, 1877; married Apr. 10, 1892, Frank M. Johnson; born Sept. 25, 1877.

Children:

i. Lloyd Lendrum Johnson (6), born Aug. 28, 1905.

ii. Ross Graham Johnson, born July 4, 1907.

iii. Frank Kenneth Johnson, born Aug. 9, 1910.

iv. Josephene Mary Johnson, born Dec. 1, 1912.

iv. Thomas H. (5), born June 25, 1880; married Mar. 21, 1900, Vida Louise Davenport; born Feb. 14, 1884.

Andrew Graham and Wife
(Mary Robertson MacEachron)

Mrs. George Howison (Margaret Brown)
Charter Member

Mrs. R. W. French (Nancy Pollock)

Children:

i. Myrtle Leone (6), born Sept. 22, 1901; married Oct. 15, 1924, Joseph George Hajek; born Feb. 14, 1902.

Child:

i. Jael George (7), born Apr. 5, 1926.

ii. Thomas Carlton, born Mar. 15, 1915.

v. Margaret (5), born July 22, 1885; died Nov. 12, 1887.

vi. Hazel, born Oct. 22, 1888; married Nov. 28, 1906, Ruel Horace Mighell; born June 21, 1884.

Children:

i. Elizabeth Mary Mighell (6), born May 17, 1909.

ii. Stanley Graham Mighell, born May 16, 1910.

iii. Mona May Mighell, born June 16, 1912.

In his history of the Graham family, Hon. A. W. Graham says of Andrew Graham, in part:

"Andrew Graham came with his father's family to De Kalb County, Illinois, in 1850. He grew to manhood on the farm in those pioneer days when the prairie was new and settlers were few. His early opportunities for school were scant, as is true in all new countries. Schoolhouses were few and far between when first erected. For several years many children had to go long distances to school, but their course was 'as the crow flies'—in a trail of their own making through the long grass in the summer and across the snow-covered prairie in winter. A boy got only a few winter months of schooling after he had reached the age of nine or ten years as he must help earn the living.

"Such was the lot of the subject of this sketch. It was a struggle to live so far out on the border of civilization in advance of the railroad.

"Mr. Graham's very interesting account of the early settle-

ments and the establishment of the district school, read before various Parent-Teachers' associations, illustrates many of the difficulties with which the first homeseekers of a new country had to contend. (A brief extract from this will be found in the appendix.)

"Andrew worked on the farm until twenty-three years of age, when, desiring a better education, he took the money he had earned and entered Monmouth College, where he remained three years. While he has engaged in farming the greater part of his life, he was always deeply interested in education, and himself taught school for a period equivalent to sixteen school years. Deriving much pleasure and profit from intellectual pursuits, he has used his education for the advancement of others and has written extensively for religious and local papers. His fellow-townsmen testify to Mr. Graham's usefulness in the communities where he has lived. The writer of these lines is indebted to him for much data in writing his history of the Graham family from William Graham, born in the middle of the eighteenth century, down to the present time.

"Andrew Graham joined the Somonauk United Presbyterian Church in 1864, was a ruling elder in Aurora, Illinois, for fourteen years, and was once a delegate from the Chicago Presbytery to the General Assembly at Knoxville, Tennessee. Now a ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church at Waterman, Illinois, he was sent by the Ottawa Presbytery as a delegate to the Presbyterian General Assembly which met in Indianapolis in 1923. Mr. Graham has been for over forty years a teacher in the Sabbath School, the most of the time having classes of young people, and is still in the work, active in body and mind.

"Mr. Graham's wife, Mary, a lovely woman, was a real home-maker and a pleasant companion. Having graced his home for twenty years, she was taken to her eternal home, leaving a void that cannot be effaced."

Those who remember her will no doubt agree that Burns' lines to another Mary might well have been written about Mary Robertson:

"The golden hours, on angels' wings,
Flew o'er me and my dearie;
For dear to me, as light and life,
Was my sweet Highland Mary."

JAMES (4) GRAHAM, fifth child of Robert and Sarah (Williamson) Graham, born in Reynoldsburg, Ohio, July 27, 1849; married November 25, 1875, Anna Jeannette MacEachron; born in Washington County, New York, December 27, 1853.

Children:

i. Archibald Lendrum (5), born Jan. 6, 1877; died Dec. 27, 1920; married June 14, 1906, Mazie Sprague; born at Columbus Junction, Iowa, May 23, 1885. A minister of the gospel, the Reverend Mr. Graham was taken away in the midst of a successful career.

Children:

i. Alice Elizabeth (6), born Apr. 27, 1908.
ii. Mary Farley, born June 16, 1915.

ii. Cornelia, born Aug. 17, 1879; married Feb. 19, 1903, Wallace Graham; born Mar. 29, 1880. Wallace Graham was originally a farmer, later a merchant in Butler, Ind.

Children:

i. Janet Graham (6), born July 10, 1906.
ii. Annabelle Graham, born Nov. 27, 1913.
iii. Wallace Paul Graham, born Nov. 27, 1916.

iii. George Verner, born Mar. 27, 1885; unmarried.

iv. Mary, born Sept. 6, 1886; married Jan. 20, 1916, Harper Buhler; born Oct. 10, 1886.

Child:

i. Mary Annette Buhler (6), born Oct. 17, 1920.

v. Ross, born Aug. 12, 1888; married Dec. 18, 1913, Marguerita Kutzner; born July 31, 1894.

Children:

i. Edna Jeannette (6), an adopted daughter, born Nov. 9, 1921.

ii. Robert Ross, born to them Sept. 6, 1926.

GEORGE D. (3) GRAHAM was born January 8, 1812, in Washington County, New York; died June 6, 1852, in Reynoldsburg, Ohio; married October 7, 1833, Amelia Dean Seely, of Washington County, New York, who died in Ohio in 1846.

Child:

i. James (4), born Feb. 28, 1836.

JAMES (4) GRAHAM, eldest child of George D. (3) and Amelia D. Graham, was born in Reynoldsburg, Ohio, February 28, 1836. After the death of his father, in 1852, James came to De Kalb County, Illinois, and made his home with his uncle, Robert Graham. He worked for Thomas G. Beveridge on the George Beveridge homestead during the working season for two years for thirteen dollars per month—good wages at that time for a seventeen-year-old boy. As long as he lived, James spoke of "Tom" Beveridge as a very kind man.

He was a member of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, later of the United Presbyterian Church, and was the chorister of this church for some years. He married in December, 1857, Sarah (2) McAllister, daughter of James (1) McAllister and Jane Dobbin.

Children:

i. A daughter (5) who died in infancy.

ii. Jennie Millie, born Nov. 18, 1862; married Mar. 7, 1883, A. H. Nichol, at Morning Sun, Iowa. Mrs. Nichol lives with a daughter, Mrs. Erma Howden, in Los Angeles. For years she has been city missionary for the First United Presbyterian Church of that city.

Children:

i. Ethel (6) Nichol.
ii. Erma Nichol.
iii. Helen Nichol.

iii. George Dean, born Apr. 28, 1865, in De Kalb County, Illinois. Unmarried. Lives in Seattle and is a member of the First United Presbyterian Church of that city.

After a long illness James (4) Graham died, March 30, 1870, at the age of thirty-four, and was buried in Oak Mound Cemetery. Some years later his widow sold the farm and removed to Seattle, Washington. She died there July 28, 1918.

ROSANNAH (3) GRAHAM, eighth child of John W. (2) and Margaret (Irvine) Graham, and the granddaughter of William (1) and Mary McBurney Graham, was born in Washington County, New York, May 7, 1814; died September 2, 1892, on a farm near Viola, Kansas; married first, probably in Ohio, May 5, 1835, a distant relative, George Graham; born about 1812 in Washington County, New York, who died in the middle '40s at Reynoldsburg, Ohio. Mrs. Graham supported the family by sewing and gave all the children a common school education. In 1855 she married George Frazier and removed to Clinton township, De Kalb County, Illinois. She married as her third husband Robert Nelson and the family removed to Kansas in the '70s.

Children:

i. Margaret Jane (4) Graham, born Dec. 24, 1836.

ii. James Robertson Graham, born Oct. 9, 1839.

iii. Nancy Mary Graham, born March 15, 1842. (See page 141.)

MARGARET JANE (4) GRAHAM, born December 24, 1836, at Reynoldsburg, Ohio; died November, 1879, near Viola, Kansas; married February 22, 1854, John R. Livingston, born about 1820 in Washington County, New York; died June 15, 1894, at Viola, Kansas. (See Livingston in Appendix.)

Children:
i. George R. (5) Livingston.
ii. William Robertson Livingston.
iii. James G. Livingston.
iv. Belle Livingston.
v. Nancy Jeannette Livingston.
vi. Alexander Livingston.
vii. Rebecca Jane Livingston.
viii. Mary Livingston.
ix. Robert John Livingston.

One little girl died in De Kalb County, Illinois, and was laid in Oak Mound Cemetery.

JAMES ROBERTSON (4) GRAHAM, born at Reynoldsburg, Ohio, October 19, 1839; died at his home in Wichita, Kansas, February 7, 1912; married Margaret Jane More, born in Putnam, Washington County, New York, July 24, 1842; died at her home near Viola, Kansas, November 12, 1891.

Children:
i. Wallace More (5).
ii. Nettie Marian.
iii. George Ernest.
iv. Joseph Thompson.
v. Rose Marie.
vi. Paul Eugene.
vii. Myrtle Jessie.

James R. Graham for many years was a ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church, and his home, on the virgin prairie of Kansas, in Sedgwick County, was the place of worship until the membership grew in numbers and means, and was strong enough to build a house of worship. He taught vocal music for many years, in addition to other occupations.

Mr. Graham married second, November 27, 1895, Cora Hamilton. Mrs. Graham still lives in Wichita.

NANCY MARY (4) GRAHAM was born in Reynoldsburg, Ohio, March 15, 1842; died in the hospital at Wichita, November 10, 1907; married in Peotone, Will County, Illinois, in 1865, William Gilkerson Shaw; born in Barnet, Caladonia County, Vermont, January 15, 1845. No children were born to them, and they adopted two great-nephews, Robert and Gordon Moore, sons of Ralph P. Moore, who was the husband of Belle Livingston, daughter of Thomas (4) Graham.

GEORGE (2) GRAHAM, second son of William (1) and Mary McBurney Graham, born June 2, 1777, at Salem, New York; married in 1799, Anna Cowden. In 1817 they removed to Franklin County, Ohio. For the account of their journey, see William (1). They had twelve children.

Children:
i. Isaac (3).
ii. William. (See page 142.)
iii. David. (See page 143.)

ISAAC (3) GRAHAM married Nancy Livingston at Reynoldsburg, Ohio. To better their financial condition the family removed to Somonauk, Illinois, in 1851, having bought a farm one and a half miles west of the church. There they lived for the rest of their lives and died in the last years of the nineteenth century. They had five children, all born in Ohio.

Children:
i. Edward (4).
ii. Alexander.
iii. Mary Jane.
iv. William John.
v. Anna.

These have all long since died, leaving two descendants at the present time.

In 1854 Isaac (3) Graham was elected to the office of ruling elder in the Associate Church. This office he held while he lived. He was a farmer. He and his family are buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

WILLIAM (3) GRAHAM had Thomas (4), born March 12, 1828.

THOMAS (4) GRAHAM [William (3), George (2), William (1)], born March 12, 1828, near Reynoldsburg, Ohio; died in March, 1902; married May 10, 1854, at Iberia, Ohio, Margaret Jane Taylor, born February 22, 1830; died in June, 1896.

They came to Illinois in 1856 and bought eighty acres with a cabin on it, in Victor township, De Kalb County, and united with the Somonauk church. In 1857 Thomas was elected a ruling elder in the church. This office he ably filled until 1862, when he moved back to Ohio, near Reynoldsburg, and there engaged in farming.

In 1871 he removed to Indianola, Iowa, and engaged in the hardware business, and later in the grocery business, for several years. Here he was also elected to the office of ruling elder in the church. He was a justice of the peace for several years, a member of the city council, and a member of the board of education. Both these later positions he held for many years.

In 1887 the family removed to Viola, Kansas, where Mr. and Mrs. Graham lived for the rest of their lives. They are buried at Viola.

Children:

i. William Marshall (5).
ii. Martha Eliza.
iii. David Wilson.
iv. Andrew Harper.
v. May.

DAVID (3) GRAHAM, son of George and Mary McBurney; married Nancy ——.

Children: i. McLean (4). iii. Sarah Jane.
ii. William B.

McLEAN (4) GRAHAM, a brother of William B., and wife Elizabeth (Johnson) settled in Somonauk, but returned to their native state in the latter part of 1860. Leonard Graham, his son, has for more than thirty years been a professor in Muskingum College, at New Concord, Ohio.

WILLIAM (4) BEVERIDGE GRAHAM, son of David and Nancy ——, came to Somonauk from Reynoldsburg, Ohio, about 1855. His wife was Lucy Wells.

SARAH JANE GRAHAM, with her brothers William and McLean, united with the Associate Church in 1856. There Sarah Jane taught school for a time, then returned to Ohio, where she married William Johnson.

Child:

i. Jesse Johnson, who has long been an instructor in the Xenia Theological Seminary, Ohio. He has the degree of Doctor of Divinity.

The two brothers farmed together, and later purchased from Thaddeus Carpenter the store at Freeland Corners.

The Harper Family

JAMES (1) HARPER, of Irish descent, his wife Elizabeth, and their first child, emigrated from the north of Ireland to Argyle township, Washington County, New York, in 1811. Mrs. Harper was of Scotch descent. About 1828 the family removed to Cayuga County, settling on a farm near Sterling.

Children:

i. Thomas (2), born in Ireland in 1811.
ii. Robert H., born in Argyle township, N. Y., June 11, 1813.

iii. William, born in Argyle township, N. Y., June 19, 1815. (See page 146.)

iv. James B., born in Argyle township, N. Y., June 19, 1819. (See page 147.)

THOMAS (2) HARPER emigrated from Cayuga County, New York, to Peoria, Illinois, about 1840, removing to Paw Paw township, De Kalb County, in 1842. He settled on sections 13 and 14 and engaged in stock-farming until 1877, when he moved to Shabbona Station. In 1880 he took up residence in Wichita, Kansas, where he lived for the remainder of his life.

Mr. Harper married first, Sarah Holt; second, Hattie Becker.

Child by first marriage:

i. Norman (3).

Thomas (2) Harper, with his brothers and a few others, was instrumental in founding a United Presbyterian Church in Ross Grove in 1855, where a house of worship was erected in 1861.

ROBERT H. (2) HARPER, born July 11, 1813; died 1882; removed to Cayuga County, New York, with his parents when fifteen years of age, where on March 20, 1840, he married first, Ann Oswald; born July 10, 1817; died in May, 1847. Mr. Harper moved with their children to Paw Paw Grove in July, 1848, where he took up government land and remained until his death. (Concluded page 146.)

Children:

i. James (3), born Jan. 2, 1842, in Cayuga County, N. Y.

ii. George, born Aug. 3, 1845.

iii. Malcolm, died in infancy.

JAMES (3) HARPER, born January 2, 1842; living in 1927; married March 10, 1869, Elizabeth Nisbet; born February 3, 1848, in Paw Paw township; died May 1, 1927.

Children:

i. George (4). ii. Archibald.

In excellent health, Mr. Harper is living, at the age of eighty-six, on his farm near Rollo village. Much of the data on the family was narrated by him recently with complete accuracy. He recalled that in 1849 and the early '50s his father frequently drove across the prairie twelve miles to attend church services in the schoolhouse adjacent to George Beveridge's house on Somonauk Creek. He remembers well the double log house, the home of the Beveridges. He said he remembered the long sermons but little of what the minister said during his boyhood days. Many amusing incidents indelibly imprinted in his memory revealed his strong sense of humor. One of these, which connects itself with the little house of worship, so shocked his childish sensibilities that his memory of it is photographic.

The trail leading to the schoolhouse was lined on either side with a mass of hazel brush. One Sabbath, when the worshipers were separating after a particularly long service, some on foot, some in wagons drawn by oxen, some in horse-drawn wagons, a family by the name of Riddle, who were driving a pair of spirited ponies, furnished considerable excitement. The women of the family, seated on boards across the wagon-box, were in the back, while the men sat in front. The team, restless and frisky from long standing tied to a tree, at the words "Get up" surprised their driver by jumping into a run, whipping into the trail with such speed that the women slid from the seat and landed headlong in the brush at the roadside. Their position was undignified in the extreme and they were extricated from the scraggly bushes with some difficulty, their clothes being

considerably torn in the process. Frightened and highly excited, their Christian fortitude deserted them for the moment and Mrs. Riddle denounced the young driver as a "blunderbuss." The minister tried to mitigate her annoyance by expressing thankfulness that the results were no worse, whereupon the lady went so far as to say that she could be still more thankful if the affair had not happened at all. Mr. Harper's retrospective enjoyment of this scene that had so shocked his youthful ideas of propriety was apparent in his twinkling eye and hearty laugh.

GEORGE (3) HARPER, the second son of Robert H. (2) and Ann Oswald Harper, born August 3, 1845, was a soldier in the Civil War and was later in the regular army. He died at the age of twenty-four years.

Robert H. (2) Harper married second, October 9, 1852, Mrs. Ann Anderson, of Victor township; born near Perth, Canada, October 2, 1821. Ann had come to Illinois with her parents, Robert and Janet Brown, in 1850. Robert Harper was one of the pillars of the United Presbyterian Church at Ross Grove, and a ruling elder from the beginning.

Children:

i. Malcolm C. (3)
ii. Anne M.
iii. Alice M.
iv. Robert B.

WILLIAM (2) HARPER, born June 19, 1815, in 1844 immigrated to Paw Paw township, Illinois, where he entered one hundred twenty acres of land on section 14, subsequently adding to it until he had seven hundred twenty acres at the time of his death, July 6, 1881; married in Cayuga County, New York, April 25, 1848, Sarah Irwin, a daughter of John and Jane (Kirk) Irwin; born in Argyle township, Washington County, New York. They were generous supporters of the Ross Grove church.

Children:

i. Mary J. (3), born Apr. 14, 1849.
ii. William, born Sept. 1, 1850.
iii. Thomas, born June 28, 1852.
iv. James, born Dec. 2, 1853.
v. John K., born July 15, 1856.

JAMES B. (2) HARPER, born in Argyle township, Washington County, New York, June 19, 1819; married first in Sterling, New York, in November, 1844, Elizabeth Smiley, daughter of James and Mary (Brown) Smiley; born at Lyon's, Wayne County, New York, November 26, 1826; died October 20, 1852.

Children:

i. Mary E. (3), born Sept. 26, 1845.
ii. Dewitt C., born Dec. 18, 1848.
iii. Andrew G., born Mar. 25, 1849.
iv. Thomas A., born Dec. 18, 1850.
v. Alanson C., born Oct. 14, 1852.

James B. (2) Harper married second, Elizabeth, daughter of Chauncey and Sally (Scott) Comins, in Orange County, New York, March 8, 1853.

Children:

i. James H. (3), born June 22, 1854.
ii. Alice E., born Dec. 7, 1855.
iii. William, born Apr. 7, 1857.
iv. Robert, born Aug. 10, 1862.
v. Mary J., born Feb. 13, 1864.
vi. Margaret A., born Nov. 29, 1865.
vii. Charles, born Apr. 15, 1867.

The Harpers were all strong factors in the Ross Grove United Presbyterian Church, which continued to thrive for a period of twenty-five years, the Reverend Samuel Thompson

being pastor the greater part of the time. As new villages grew up in the neighborhood their churches drew from its membership and, as was inevitable, the pioneer country church at Ross Grove was dissolved about 1885 in favor of its new neighbors.

Those who had served as ruling elders were Samuel Kinslow, William Irwin, Robert H. Harper, Moses Bartlett and William Watson.

The Henry Family

WILLIAM (1) HENRY and his first wife, ———— Oliver, were born and married in Scotland, came to America and settled in Washington County, New York.

Children:

i. William (2).
ii. George.
iii. Robert.
iv. John Vetch.
v. Margaret.
vi. Elizabeth.

William Henry married second, Eleanor Robertson, an aunt of Ann Hoy, Mrs. George Beveridge.

JOHN VETCH (2) HENRY was born in Scotland May 1, 1779; died in Greenwich, New York, October 21, 1846; married in 1811, in Washington County, New York, Parmelia Johnson; born May 28, 1788, in Rupert, Vermont; died June 9, 1864. Their children were all born in Greenwich, New York.

Children:

i. James (3), born Jan. 22, 1812.
ii. Mary, married James Henry.
iii. Elizabeth, married Robert Oliver Robertson. (See page 230.)
iv. John, married Jennette Fuller.
v. Chester, married Ellen Ann French. (See page 121.)
vi. Sarah, married Thomas Lamb.
vii. Margaret, married Thomas Doig.

Golden Wedding Anniversary of James and Jennett Henry, 1887

LEFT TO RIGHT: *Top Row:* 1 John C. Beveridge, 2 William J. Randles, 3 Joseph Gilchrist, 4 Andrew Randles, 5 Agnes Robertson, 6 Charles H. White, 7 Martha White, 8 Mrs. Charles White, 9 Belle Kennedy, 10 Rev. D. S. Kennedy, 11 Mrs. D. S. Kennedy, 12 Mrs. Carrie Poplin, 13 Mrs. Alex Stewart, 14 Emma Kirkpatrick, 15 Mrs. James Howison, 16 Alex Stewart, 17 Nettie Gilchrist, 18 Mrs. Isaac Graham, 19 James A. Patten, 20 Mrs. Alford, 21 Isaac Graham, 22 Thomas McEachron. *Second Row from Top:* 23 George B. Henry, 24 Rev. G. H. Robertson, 25 Hampton E. White, 26 William J. Robertson, 27 Gilbert Henry, 28 John B. Henry, 29 Albert C. Winter, 30 Philo J. Beveridge. *Back to Left Again for Third Row:* 31 Anna B. Henry, 32 Millie (Robertson) Armstrong, 33 Mrs. Elizabeth Beveridge, 34 Mrs. Agnes Patten, 35 Mrs. Isabel McClellan, 36 Mrs. John C. Beveridge, 37 Mrs. James A. Patten, 38 William C. Norcross, 39 Mrs. Andrew Beveridge, 40 Andrew Beveridge, 41 Mrs. James French, 42 Robert Cole, 43 Mrs. Alex Henry, 44 Mrs. Isabella (Henry) Norcross, 45 Jessie Poplin, 46 Alex Howison, 47 Stephen Wright. *Fourth Row:* 48 Mrs. Stephen Wright, 49 Chester Henry, 50 Mrs. Chester Henry (Ellen French), 51 John L. Beveridge, 52 Mrs. John L. Beveridge, 53 James H. Beveridge, 54 Mrs. James H. Beveridge, 55 Mrs. Isabel (Beveridge) French, 56 Mrs. Jennett (Beveridge) Henry, 57 James Henry, 58 Mrs. Ann (Henry) Robertson, 59 Peter McClellan. *Fifth Row:* 60 Henry Winter, 61 Mrs. Lillie (Henry) Turnbull, 62 John Veitch Henry, 63 Mrs. John V. Henry, 64 Mrs. Margaret (Henry) White with her little daughter Mary (White) Keyes, on lap who is No. 65, 66 Mrs. Margaret (Beveridge) Brown, 67 Ralph Brown, 68 Mrs. Anna L. (Winter) Eddy, 69 Mrs. Sarah (Henry) French, 70 Mrs. Anna Mary (Henry) Winter, 71 Mrs. Sarah (Henry) Mitchell, 72 Mrs. Agnes (Henry) Kirkpatrick, 73 Mrs. Sarah (French) McCleery. *Sixth Row:* 74 Mrs. Mattie (Winter) Paul, 75 Mrs. Minnie (Orr) Little, 76 Mrs. Sara (Norcross) Jones, 77 James H. Winter, 78 Mary E. French, 79 Hiram Norcross, 80 Floyd B. Kirkpatrick, 81 Jennette E. Winter, 82 Willie French, 83 Frank Henry, 84 James Norcross, 85 Jennette (Kirkpatrick) McAllister, 86 Will J. French, 87 Easton Kirkpatrick, 88 Mrs. Mary (Henry) McCleery, 89 George French, 90 Mrs. Clara French.

viii. Parmelia, married Clark Ovett.

ix. Thomas, married Rose Sinty.

x. William, married first, Mary L. Robertson; second, Catherine Ensign.

xi. Anna Parmelia, married William Robertson. (See page 230.)

xii. John, second.

JAMES (3) HENRY was born January 22, 1812, in Greenwich, New York; died July 6, 1899, in Somonauk, Illinois; married October 26, 1837, in Washington County, New York, Jennett Beveridge, born May 5, 1813, at Cambridge, New York; died December 2, 1901, at Somonauk, Illinois. Both are buried at Oak Mound Cemetery. Their portraits face page 120.

James (3) Henry and his wife, Jennett (Beveridge) Henry, came to Somonauk in the spring of 1853 and bought a farm one mile north and east of Somonauk village. They united with the Associate Church by certificate. Their children became members of the same church.

Children:

i. Anna Mary (4), born Dec. 30, 1838, at Lakeville, N. Y.; died Feb. 23, 1909; married Jan. 1, 1863, Henry M. Winter. He died Dec. 8, 1900, in Iowa.

Children:

i. Anna Lydia (5) Winter, born Oct. 28, 1863.

ii. Albert C. Winter, born Oct. 5, 1866. For ten years has been the superintendent of the O. M. Cemetery.

iii. William Winter, born Mar. 9, 1869; died June —, 1869.

iv. Martha Winter, born Nov. 18, 1872.

v. Jannette Winter, born May 17, 1875.

vi. James Henry Winter, born Mar. 11, 1877.

ii. Parmelia, born July 3, 1840, at Lakeville, N. Y.; died May 30, 1841.

iii. Isabella Beveridge, born May 10, 1842, at Lakeville, N. Y.; married Sept. 3, 1868, William C. Norcross, of Monmouth, Ill. Mr. Norcross was an attorney at law. He died Dec. 6, 1913.

Children:

i. Hiram (5) Norcross.
ii. Sara Norcross.
iii. James Norcross.

iv. John Vetch, born July 27, 1844.

v. George B., born Sept. 26, 1846, at Lakeville, N. Y.; died unmarried Mar. 31, 1897.

vi. Sarah T. L., born Sept. 15, 1848, at Lakeville, N. Y.; died July 4, 1925, in Viola, Kan.; married in October, 1881, Ebenezer E. Mitchell. He died Dec. 23, 1903, in Viola, Kan.

vii. Philomelia J., born Nov. 13, 1850, at Lakeville, N. Y.; died July 18, 1919, at Viola, Kan.; married Nov. 2, 1871, James Doig Orr, who died Dec. 21, 1874. (See page 207.) She married second, Oct. 24, 1889, Rev. James S. Turnbull. He died Sept. 17, 1922.

viii. Agnes R., born Jan. 25, 1853, at Lakeville, N. Y.; married Dec. 28, 1876, Easton Kirkpatrick. (See page 166.)

ix. Margaret Elizabeth, born Apr. 11, 1857, at Somonauk, Ill.; married Jan. 31, 1884, Hampton E. White, who died Nov. 15, 1927. (See page 238.)

x. Minnie J., born at Somonauk, Ill., Aug. 17, 1859; died Aug. 2, 1886.

JOHN VETCH (4) HENRY was born July 27, 1844, at Lakeville, New York, and came to Somonauk with his parents

in the spring of 1854, when in his tenth year. He worked on the farm in the summer and went to school in the winter term.

In 1862, when eighteen years old, he enlisted in Company H, 105th Illinois Infantry Volunteers. The regiment was mustered into the United States service September 2, at Dixon, Illinois, and remained at Camp Douglass nearly one month. Ordered to Louisville, Kentucky, September 30, the regiment rode in cattle cars and on flat cars; on October 8 it was ordered to Frankfort, skirmishing with the enemy all the way for six days; from Frankfort it made a raid upon Lawrenceburg and captured a few hundred prisoners.

On March 25, 1864, Mr. Henry was transferred to the 17th Cavalry Volunteers as sergeant-major and was soon promoted to first lieutenant and quartermaster of the regiment. The regiment was placed under the command of Major-General Rosecrans in Missouri, where it engaged in the six days' battle with General Price, completely routing his army and capturing General Marmaduke and thousands of prisoners. During this battle Lieutenant Henry was assigned as aide to Brigadier-General Wood for two days. After Lee's surrender the regiment was retained in service to help quell the marauding guerrilla bands that infested all parts of the state. When this was accomplished the regiment was mustered out in detachments.

Lieutenant Henry returned home the latter part of June, 1865, having served his country for nearly three years as an efficient soldier, and was mustered out of service one month before he was twenty-one years of age.

On December 26, 1865, Lieutenant Henry married Carrie R. Poplin.

Children:

i. Frank V. A. (5), born Jan. 17, 1869.
ii. Jessie May, born May 26, 1872.

In 1870 he was appointed to the position of clerk in the United States railway service, from Galesburg to Quincy. In 1871 he was detailed for service on the Buffalo and Toledo route, and the year following was transferred to the Chicago and Burlington route as head clerk. On the organization of the New York and Chicago fast mail service (twenty-six hours en route—a fast service at that time) he was appointed head clerk and served on the first train. A year later he was transferred as chief clerk at Quincy, Illinois, having charge of all mail railroad lines south of Galesburg, Peoria, Bloomington and Danville.

On February 6, 1885, Mr. Henry married second, Jessie E. Dawson Williams.

Child:

i. Lulu Belle (5) now Mrs. Sherwood, of Iola, Kan.

In 1905 he entered the state service at the Southern Illinois prison at Chester, and resigned February 1, 1920. During this time he was also superintendent of the warden house. In February, 1921, he entered the Illinois Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Quincy, Illinois, and for a time assisted and acted as postmaster.

In April, 1923, he was appointed sergeant-major of the home and in May, 1924, was promoted to adjutant. July 1, 1925, he resigned on account of his wife's failing health, though still retaining his membership in the home. For three years he and his wife lived at Iola, Kansas, where she died in April, 1927. Mr. Henry has returned to the home, where, at the age of eighty-three, he enjoys the happy memories of a well-spent and highly useful life while "waiting," as he says, "for the bugle call to the Eternal Home."

CHESTER (3) HENRY, born in Washington County, New York, in 1829; died at Goldfield, Iowa, September 15, 1915; married October 12, 1860, Ellen Ann French; born 1840, in

Washington County, New York; died November 12, 1905, at Goldfield, Iowa. Both are buried in Oak Mound Cemetery, Somonauk, Illinois.

Children:

i. Gilbert (4), born 1861; married in 1888, Nora McEachron.

Children:

i. Ellen Jannette (5), who graduated from Monmouth College in 1913; married Rev. Ralph McLaughlin. They are missionaries, teaching in Cairo, Egypt.

ii. Duncan, married Emma Handy, teaching at Sayo, Abbyssinia.

iii. Merran is secretary to a large institutional church at Pittsburgh, Pa.

iv. Frank Ross, living at Goldfield, Iowa.

v. Gilbert, living at Ackley, Iowa.

ii. Anna Bell, born 1863; living in Goldfield, Iowa.

iii. Sarah Elizabeth, born 1864; married W. J. French. (See page 123.)

iv. John Blair, born 1867; married first, Chrissie McBride.

Child:

i. A daughter, who died at the age of twenty years.

Married second, Maude Stokes.

Child:

i. Gretchen (5).

v. Mary Ellen, born 1875; married Albert McCleery. (See page 178.)

vi. Frank R., born 1877; at the age of twenty was drowned in the Fox River.

Chester (3) Henry came to Illinois in the early '50s. He worked on a farm in Iowa and taught school for some time; came back to Illinois and continued teaching until he mar-

ried in 1860. He and his wife began housekeeping on the farm south of the church, where they lived a long time. In 1899 they removed to Goldfield, Iowa, where they spent the rest of their lives. They were members of the United Presbyterian Church.

The Howison Family

GEORGE (1) HOWISON was born in Roxburyshire, Scotland, about 1785; died September 8, 1846, in Squaw Grove township, De Kalb County, Illinois; married early in the nineteenth century, in Scotland, Margaret Brown; born about 1789; died in Squaw Grove township, April 29, 1874, Mrs. Howison's maiden name appears on the memorial tablet as Margaret Black, but further research seems to prove the name to be Brown. Her portrait faces page 134.

The father and eldest son, James, came to America in 1831, three months being required for the journey. The following year the rest of the family was sent for and settled in Greenwich, Washington County, New York. In 1843 James and William came west by way of the Erie Canal and the Great Lakes to Chicago, where they remained a short time before taking up four hundred acres of government land in Squaw Grove township, De Kalb County, Illinois. They also purchased ten acres of beautiful timber land at Shabbona Grove. The first winter was spent in getting out rails, stakes, posts and wood for use on the new farm. In the spring of 1844 the other members of the family, except Alexander, came to Squaw Grove.

George Howison was a weaver by trade and a member of the United Presbyterian Church. He was first buried on the William French farm, his body being later removed to Oak Mound Cemetery. Margaret (Brown) Howison had one daughter by a previous marriage. The daughter married a Mr. Carr and they had one son, John. Mrs. Howison was a charter member of the Somonauk United Presbyterian Church.

Children:

i. James (2), born Jan. 20, 1818.
ii. Isobel, born Jan. 20, 1818; died in infancy.
iii. William, born Dec. 18, 1821.
iv. Eliza, born Aug. —, 1825; married Sept. 18, 1858, Alexander White; died Jan. 10, 1899. (See page 239.)
v. Alexander, born Nov. 20, 1826.
vi. Robert, born Jan. 12, 1830. (See page 157.)

JAMES (2) HOWISON, born January 20, 1818, in Smailholm, Scotland; died April 21, 1901, at Sandwich, Illinois; married November 12, 1867, Mary Jane, a daughter of Julia Ann and Richard Kirkpatrick; born at Duncannon, Pennsylvania, March 21, 1840; died February 18, 1922.

Child:

i. Charles (3), married Bessie Warner, Oct. 26, 1898.
Children:
i. Charlotte H. (4). ii. Charles.

On March 12, 1850, in company with William Patten, James Blair, James Walker and Mr. Hoag, James Howison started overland for California. The party used three span of horses and two covered wagons in making the trip. Mr. Walker died on the way at Lone Tree. The other four went first to Weaverton, where the first diggings were located, then later to Sacramento, where they laid in a supply of provisions; then they went to the diggings on the Yuba River where the subject of this sketch hired out to a company for eight dollars a day. Here he was joined by his brother Alexander. During two summers he worked on a ranch for $160 a month and board. In 1856 the two brothers returned to the home in Illinois. While engaged in farming, Mr. Howison suffered a severe sunstroke, and on account of poor health moved to Sandwich in 1879, where he died April 21, 1901.

WILLIAM (2) HOWISON, born in Smailholm, Roxburyshire, Scotland, December 18, 1821; died October 4, 1905; married October, 1855, Catharine Walls; born December 25, 1824, in Salem, New York; died May 31, 1887.

In 1847 William secured one hundred sixty acres from the government in Clinton township, near Waterman. For many years he and his wife were faithful members of the United Presbyterian Church at Somonauk. The parents and five of the children are buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

Children:

i. James A. (3), born May 28, 1856; died Mar. 14, 1882.
ii. William J., born May 28, 1858; died Apr. 5, 1913.
iii. Robert W., born Aug. 29, 1860; died March 10, 1924; married Apr. 29, 1922, Josephine Vermillion Henley. He was an extensive stockbreeder and a prosperous farmer.
iv. George W., born June 16, 1862; died Nov. 28, 1904, at Bartonville, Ill.
v. Albert, born July 25, 1865; married July 26, 1922, in California, Mira Bradbury, and is now living in Waterman, Ill.
vi. Mary M., born Jan. 7, 1868; died Feb. 21, 1896.

ALEXANDER (2) HOWISON, born at Smailholm, Roxburyshire, near Edinburgh, Kelso County, Scotland, November 20, 1826; died August 24, 1907, at his home in De Kalb County, Illinois. He came with his parents to Greenwich, New York, in 1832, when he was six years of age. He did not remove to Illinois until 1846, when he joined his parents in Squaw Grove township. He worked with his brother William the first year and then purchased of William one hundred sixty acres which he began improving. In 1852 he went to California by way of Cape Horn, and by a happy accident located his brother

James, who had crossed the plains two years before. They were there for three and a half years, one year being spent in the mines and two years in gardening. The brothers returned by water, taking the Aspinwall line by way of the Isthmus of Panama. Surviving shipwreck and yellow fever, which broke out among the passengers, they reached home in safety.

Alexander (2) Howison, married November 18, 1862, Margaret McCleery; born near Dalton, Ohio, February 22, 1843, a daughter of James and Jean (Thompson) McCleery. They went to live on the Howison homestead, where he again took up farming, and the rest of their lives was spent there. Mrs. Howison died August 23, 1916. Both were members of the United Presbyterian Church. The deceased members of the family are buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

Children:

i. George Andrew (3), living on the homestead.
ii. Margaret Jean, living with her brother George A.
iii. Elizabeth Ann, died June 3, 1888.
iv. Archie H., married Martha A. Randles, Feb. 8, 1899; died June 24, 1901.
v. Mary Jeannette, living with George and Jean.
vi. Ralph James, married June 13, 1906, Margaret Beveridge, daughter of William G. Beveridge.
Children:
i. Donald (4), deceased.
ii. Robert W.
iii. Evelyn Mae.
vii. Isabella Catherine, died July 30, 1886.

ROBERT (2) HOWISON, born January 12, 1830, in Smailholm, Roxburyshire, Scotland; died August 27, 1912; November 27, 1862, Robert married Hannah Ellen Kirkpatrick, born March 13, 1835, near Duncannon, Pennsylvania. She came with her parents, Richard and Julia (Kirkpatrick) Kirkpatrick, to De Kalb County, Illinois, in 1857, and settled in Clinton township.

A short time after his marriage Robert (2) and his wife moved to their farm in Clinton township, where they lived for forty years. They were consistent members of the United Presbyterian Church. From the farm they moved into the village of Waterman, where Mr. Howison died August 27, 1912. He was buried in Oak Mound Cemetery. At this time, November, 1927, Mrs. Howison is in her ninety-third year and in good health.

Children:

i. George Bert (3).

ii. Margaret, married John Moore.

Children:

i. Albert (4) Moore.

ii. Ella Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore removed to Idaho, where they lived and prospered on a farm for several years, until Mr. Moore lost his life in an accident resulting from a runaway team of horses. Mrs. Moore returned to Waterman to educate her children. She married second, Lavill Rowley.

iii. Mabel.

iv. Fred.

The Irwin Family

WILLIAM (1) IRWIN, son of James Irwin and Jane Winslow, was born in County Caven, Ireland, February 18, 1800; died in Somonauk, Illinois, in the home of his daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Beveridge, July 22, 1866.

In Ireland he was proud to be an Orangeman, but when twenty-one years of age came to America and settled in Argyle, Washington County, New York. Here he married May 11, 1826, Margaret Harper, who was born in the North of Ireland, September 15, 1807, and died in Somonauk, Illinois, February 28, 1890.

In 1848 they removed from Washington County, New York, to Ross Grove, Illinois, twelve miles west of the Somonauk United Presbyterian Church, and with their children, all born in New York State, were faithful members of that church.

In 1859, after the death of their son-in-law, Thomas G. Beveridge, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin came from Ross Grove, Illinois, to make their home with their daughter, Mrs. Beveridge.

Children:

i. Elizabeth (2), born Dec. 18, 1827; died May 19, 1892; married Apr. 9, 1851, Thomas G. Beveridge. (See page 92.)

ii. Margaret Jane, born Jan. 16, 1830; died Mar. 6, 1833.

iii. William M., born July 21, 1832; died Oct. 4, 1834.

iv. Mary, born Dec. 13, 1834; died Apr. 8, 1862; married Oct. 31, 1860, Robert Brown.

v. Jane, born Apr. 30, 1837; died ————; married Dec. 31, 1857, Daniel Miller.

vi. Eleanor, born Sept. 15, 1839; died Jan. 4, 1885; married Dec. 31, 1862, Hiram J. Coon.

vii. Thomas, born Dec. 14, 1841.

viii. Martha Ann, born Dec. 27, 1845; died Sept. 12, 1846.

ix. Sarah Ann, born May 1, 1848; living; married Feb. 8, 1886, Hiram J. Coon.

THOMAS (2) IRWIN was born December 14, 1841; married November 7, 1863, Mary Elizabeth (8) French.

Children:

i. Anna Lizzie (3), born May 12, 1865; died Sept. 20, 1916; married May 24, 1883, James S. Harvison.

Children:

i. Glenn Irwin (4) Harvison, born Oct. 13, 1887; married August, 1920, Nynah Byers.

ii. Maribel Harvison.

ii. Isabel French, born Jan. 22, 1867; unmarried.
iii. William, born Apr. 7, 1869; married November, 1888, Luella Ross.
Children:
i. Mary Irene (4), born Oct. 22, 1889; married Dr. William Kirk.
ii. Eva Valera, born Mar. 30, 1891; married Guy Black.
iii. Agnes.

JOHN IRWIN married Jane Kirk in Argyle township, Washington County, New York.
Child:
i. Sarah, born ———; married William (2) Harper, Apr. 25, 1848. (See page 146.)

The Kennedy Family

DAVID STEWART KENNEDY was born April 25, 1834, near Youngstown, Mahoning County, Ohio, son of James and Sarah Reid Kennedy, who were of Scotch-Irish ancestry; died May 17, 1898; married May 3, 1859, Nancy Wills Kelly; born near the town of Indiana, Indiana County, Pa., in 1837; died January 29, 1921, at Oak Park, Illinois.
Children:
i. Sadie.
ii. Harry, deceased.
iii. Mary, deceased.
iv. Matilda.
v. Belle, deceased.
vi. Reid.
vii. Archie.
viii. James, deceased.
ix. Anna.
x. Tom.

Mr. Kennedy entered Westminster College at the age of twenty-two and graduated in the class of 1858. Soon after this he entered the Allegheny Theological Seminary, from

which he was graduated in 1862. His first pastorate was at Center, Washington County, Pennsylvania, in Chartiers Presbytery. Here he remained for ten years. He was next called by the congregation of Sewickley, Pennsylvania, in the Presbytery of Allegheny. After serving this congregation for six years he received a call from the Somonauk United Presbyterian Church, where he was installed as pastor, September 5, 1878, succeeding the Reverend William Turner Moffett, who was the second pastor of Somonauk church. Mr. Kennedy served this congregation with great devotion for a little more than fifteen years, when, on account of failing health, he resigned, giving up his charge November 21, 1893.

Mrs. Kennedy also graduated from Westminster College in the same class as her husband. Both are buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

The Kirkpatrick Family

"Kirkpatrick, anciently sometimes spelled Kilpatrick, a surname derived from Cella Patricii, the 'church of Patrick.'

"The ancient family of Kirkpatrick of Closeburn, who possess a baronetcy, have, according to tradition, held lands in Nithsdale since the ninth century.

"Roger Kirkpatrick was one of the attendants of King Robert Bruce at Dumfries when he met Comyn in the church of the Franciscans in that town, and it was he who, on Bruce's rushing out and expressing a doubt that he had killed the Red Comyn, dispatched the latter with the exclamation, 'You doubt! Ise mak siccar' (or sure), which became the motto of his family, their crest being a hand holding a dagger, in pale, distilling drops of blood."—Anderson's "Scottish Nation."

About 1730 Isaac (1) Kirkpatrick with his brother Richard and sister Mary, of Scottish ancestry, came from near Belfast, Ireland, and settled in the part of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, now in Cumberland County.

His son Richard (2) had three sons, Joseph (3), Moses (3) and Isaac (3), of Rye township, Cumberland County, who were all soldiers of the Revolution from that county.

In 1855 Jesse (4) Kirkpatrick, with his brother Richard [(4), Isaac (3), Richard (2), Isaac (1)] and their families, came from near Duncannon, Perry County, Pennsylvania, and settled in Clinton township, De Kalb County, Illinois.

JESSE (4) KIRKPATRICK, born in Cumberland (now Perry) County, Pennsylvania, June 19, 1791; died in Clinton township, De Kalb County, Illinois, December 19, 1857; married in Perry County, Pennsylvania, January 25, 1819, Ruth Smiley; born in Shermandale, Perry County, Pennsylvania, May 1, 1791; died in Waterman, Illinois, October 8, 1879. Their children were born in Pennsylvania.

Children:

i. Ann (5), born Apr. 22, 1820; died Oct. 16, 1869; married William H. Henderson.
ii. Isaac, born Oct. 20, 1822; died Jan. 11, 1895; married Catharine McCord.
iii. Smiley, born Mar. 1, 1825; married Matilda Hipple.
iv. Hiram, born July 23, 1827; died Apr. 13, 1924; married Mary Thomas.
v. Margarette, born Nov. 23, 1829; married William McCoy.
vi. Eleanor, born June 12, 1832; died Nov. 3, 1917; married Robert G. Ferguson.

RICHARD (4) KIRKPATRICK, born in Cumberland (now Perry) County, Pennsylvania, April 4, 1797; died in Clinton township, De Kalb County, Illinois, September 3, 1871; married about 1832 his relative Julia Ann Kirkpatrick; born March 17, 1810; died April 28, 1898. Their children were born in Pennsylvania.

Children:

i. Isabella (5), born Mar. 27, 1833; died July 14, 1915; married John Harter.
ii. Hannah Eleanor, born Mar. 13, 1835; now living; married Robert (2) Howison. (See page 155.)
iii. Matilda, born Feb. 29, 1836; died Aug. 16, 1864; married Amos McCaskey.
iv. Albina, born Nov. 19, 1839; died May 27, 1913; married William James Walker. (See page 236.)
v. Mary Jane, born Mar. 21, 1840; died Feb. 18, 1923; married first, James Howison; married second, William James Walker. (See pages 155, 236.)
vi. Julia Ann, born Apr. 20, 1843; died Oct. 23, 1918; married Jan. 24, 1867, Robert Walker. (See page 236.)
vii. Rebecca, born Dec. 28, 1844; now living; married, Nov. 28, 1867, John Walker, Jr. (See page 236.)
viii. Jesse Patterson, born in 1846; died aged 11 months.
ix. Isaac Finley, born Apr. 16, 1850; now living.

HEZEKIAH (5) KIRKPATRICK [Moses (4), ——— (3), Richard (2), Isaac (1)], born January 18, 1813, in Cumberland County, Pennsylvania; died in Clinton township, De Kalb County, Illinois, June 22, 1883; married April 7, 1840, Nancy E. Elliott; born in the north of Ireland about 1810; died in Clinton township, De Kalb County, Illinois, August 10, 1867. Hezekiah (5) and his brother Isaac (5) with their families removed from the part of Cumberland County, Pennsylvania, now Perry County, and settled in De Kalb County, Illinois, in the spring of 1852, coming by railroad to Turner Junction, now West Chicago, and from there in wagons to their destination. Hezekiah bought one hundred sixty acres of prairie land in Clinton township, adjoining Squaw Grove, and built a house, and later two other

houses. James P. Kirkpatrick, a grandson, now lives in the last home.

Soon after their arrival Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick united with the church, and later the children all followed their example.

Children:

i. Nancy Jane (6), born Jan. 22, 1841; died Jan. 21, 1863; married James Finney and removed to southern Indiana, where she died a year or two later.

Child:

i. Jennie Margaretta (7) Finney, married Isaac Trible; they are now living in California.

ii. Moses Calvin, born June 8, 1843; died Apr. 20, 1863. In the summer of 1862 he enlisted in the 105th Regiment of Illinois Volunteers. While in the South his health failed and the following spring he was discharged and brought home, dying soon after. He was buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

iii. John Simpson, born Aug. 18, 1845; died Nov. 9, 1912; married first, Dec. 9, 1875, Margaret J. McCord; second, Ida Kirkpatrick.

Children by first marriage:

i. Mertie E. (7).
ii. James H.
iii. Jessie S.
iv. Mabel.
v. Nancy.

iv. Eliza, born May 15, 1848; died Apr. 13, 1926, at her home in Topeka, Kan.; married Jan. 22, 1879, John W. Owen; born 1854; died 1927.

Children:

i. Arthur K. (7) Owen, a Roentgenologist, married Eugia Timms.

Child:

i. Kirk.

ii. Charles Archibald Owen, married Margarette Corrett; they have a daughter and four sons, and are living in Egypt, where Mr. Owen is a missionary teacher.

iii. Mary Owen married A. R. Morrow, a physician, living in Chicago, Ill. They have two daughters.

v. Margaretta, born Feb. 20, 1852; died Aug. 18, 1899; married Nov. 9, 1871, William Mitchell.

Children:

i. Edith E. (7) Mitchell, married Peter Hutter.

Children:

i. Harry Kennedy (8) Hutter, teaching geology and chemistry in Muskingum College, Ohio.
ii. William Glenn Hutter, living in Aurora, Ill.
iii. Jesse Calvin Hutter, married Eva Winter.
iv. Margaretta K. Hutter, married Joseph Chestnut and is living on a farm in Kansas.
v. Arlene Elizabeth Hutter, living in Aurora, Ill.
vi. Annie Maude Hutter, a student in Muskingum College, Ohio.

ii. J. Maude Mitchell.

iii. John P. Mitchell, married Rose Eagle; they have one son; two other children, Donald and Gladys, died in 1918.

iv. Annie Mitchell, married Samuel Gordon.

Children:

i. Eugene (8) Gordon.
ii. Kenneth Gordon.
iii. John Gordon.
iv. Annie May Gordon.
v. Keith Gordon.

ISAAC (5) KIRKPATRICK, brother of Hezekiah, born February 14, 1818, in Rye township, Cumberland County, Pennsylvania; died at his home in Sandwich, Illinois, January 16, 1898; married in 1837, Sarah Elliott; born in the north of Ireland, September, 1813; died November 17, 1885.

Children:

i. James Elliott (6), born in 1838; married Anna Mary (3) Gilchrist; served throughout the Civil War; they have one child, Corena, who married Dr. Charles Husk.

ii. Robert, born in 1840; married Caroline Goodell. They removed to Kansas soon after their marriage, where he died a few years ago. He was a veteran of the Civil War. His wife lives in Hortonville, Kan. They had four children, Lulu, Sarah, Roy W. and Roberta.

iii. Anna Eliza, born in 1843; married Robert Stevenson. They had four children: Arthur (7), Kirk, Mary and Robert Stevenson.

iv. Easton, born in 1846; married Agnes R. (4) Henry. He lived on the Kirkpatrick homestead, and farmed it until he turned over the management to his son Floyd. He then moved to Sandwich, Ill., where he died in 1925.

Children:

i. Jennie (7), born Mar. 4, 1878; married R. J. McAllister.

ii. Floyd, born Sept. 30, 1881; married March 18, 1913 Pearl, a daughter of David and Mary (Stauffer) Bernard.

Children:

i. David Easton.

ii. Thomas Bernard.

v. Emma Jane, born in 1848; died unmarried Apr. 30, 1924.

vi. Agnes May, born in 1850; married James Finley.

Children:

i. Thomas Finley.
ii. Isaac Finley.
iii. James Finley.
iv. Emma Finley.
v. Sarah Finley.
vi. Ella Finley.
vii. Paul Finley.
viii. Mary Finley.
ix. Edwin Finley.

vii. Clara M., born in 1853; married George B. (8) French. (See page 122.)

viii. Sarah Ellen, born in 1855; married William Stevenson and left Somonauk.

ix. Flora M., born in 1858; married John Fullerton.

Children:

i. Sara (7) Fullerton.
ii. Keith Fullerton.

Isaac (5) came to Somonauk, De Kalb County, in the spring of 1852, from Perry County, Pennsylvania. He settled on a farm with a small house on it at Squaw Grove and at once united with the Associate Church.

A few years later the small house—or cabin—was burned to the ground, and a better and larger house was built, in which the family grew up, all the members of the family allying themselves with the church and its mission.

Early in the Civil War Isaac Kirkpatrick, though in middle age, enlisted in the 8th Illinois Cavalry, saw several months of service, and was discharged because of physical disability. It is said he was a brave soldier.

Isaac Kirkpatrick outlived his wife, Sarah Elliott, by twelve years; they are both buried in the family lot in Oak Mound Cemetery.

The McAllister Family

"The Scottish Nation," by William Anderson, reads: "MacAllister, the name of a clan that inhabits the south of Knapdale and the north of Kintyre in Argyleshire, Scotland. They are traced to Alexander, son of Angus Mor of the clan of Donald.

"From their descent from Alexander, eldest son of Angus Mor, Lord of the Isles and Kintyre in 1284, the grandson of Somerled, thane of Argyle, the MacAllisters claim to be the representatives after McDonell of Glengary, of the Ancient Lords of the Isles as heirs male of Donald, grandson of Somerled. After the forfeiture of the Lords of the Isles in 1493, the MacAllisters became so numerous as to form a separate and independent clan. At that period their chieftain was John or Ean-Dubh, whose residence was at Ard Phadrine or Ardpatrick in South Knapdale."

Like many other families, the MacAllisters were presecuted for their religious opinions in those troublous times in Scotland. For this reason some of them took refuge in North Ireland. Some of the descendants of recent years are proud to own that the McAllisters in America are also traceable to the noted Stuarts of Scotland.

JAMES (1) McALLISTER, son of Dexter McAllister, was born in Scotland in 1798; died in Clinton township, De Kalb County, Illinois, July 19, 1867. His wife, Jane Dobbin, was born in Connagher, County Antrim, Ireland, in April, 1804; died in Sandwich, Illinois, December 15, 1881. She was a daughter of William and Margaret (Andrew) Dobbin and granddaughter of John and Mary (Miller) Dobbin and Samuel and Jane (Dobbin) Andrew.

James McAllister and Jane Dobbin were married in Connagher, Parish of Ballimoney, County Antrim, Ireland, in

1823. When their eldest child, Margaret, was three months old, in the spring of 1824, they removed from their home in Ireland to Washington County, New York. During the voyage the baby became so ill with whooping-cough that the captain of the ship told the mother she might as well throw it overboard, as it would not live to cross the ocean. The blunt captain's prediction failed, however, for Margaret lived and brought up a family, and reached the good old age of ninety-three years.

James and his family lived in Washington County until about 1835, when they removed to South Washington, Marion County, Ohio. In 1848 they removed to De Kalb County, Illinois, and settled on a quarter-section of land in Clinton township, south east quarter of section 36. It was raw prairie land. Soon after arriving, the parents and a daughter, Mary, united by certificate with the Associate Church. Their occupation was farming. Mr. McAllister died in 1867 of tetanus, caused by an injury to his hand.

Children:

i. Margaret (2), born Jan. 6, 1824; died Oct. 16, 1916; married John Van Natta.

ii. Mary, born Feb. 7, 1826; died Dec. 1, 1911, at her home in Paw Paw, Ill.; married first, Mar. 20, 1850, John Christie; married second, Moses Bartlett.

iii. Eliza, born Nov. 12, 1827; died Oct. 17, 1917; married George Smith and lived at Aledo, Ill.

iv. Martha, born Mar. 6, 1830; died Feb. —, 1913; married first, August Breese; married second, William Smith.

v. William J., born Mar. 15, 1832.

vi. James W., born July 1, 1834.

vii. Sarah, born Feb. 5, 1839; died July 28, 1918; married James (4) Graham. (See page 138.)

viii. Ellen, born Aug. 3, 1842; married David Elsey. She is still living.

ix. Esther, born Sept. 2, 1844; died Apr. 6, 1926, in Chicago, Ill.; married William McCoy.

x. Anna, born July 8, 1846; married first, Henry Still; they had one son, who was killed in an accident. She married second, Robert Mitchell, and is still living in Wichita, Kan.

xi. Isabel, born Sept. 1, 1848; died unmarried, June 2, 1892.

xii. Samuel, born Dec. 17, 1850; died Apr. 17, 1868, aged eighteen years, from an injury received while trying to stop a team of runaway horses for a companion who was working in the same field.

WILLIAM J. (2) McALLISTER was born March 15, 1832; died February 9, 1879; married Addie Favor, of Plano, Illinois. William J. was a soldier of the Civil War, enlisting in the summer of 1862; was in Company H, 105th Illinois Volunteers; discharged at the close of the war, in June, 1865. A year or two later he entered Monmouth College, and graduated in the class of 1870. After his theological course he settled as pastor of a church in Iowa. His ministerial career was short but not without its good effects.

JAMES W. (2) McALLISTER was born July 1, 1834; died March 10, 1921; married December 16, 1864, Mary Ann Graham. When about fourteen years of age he came with his parents to De Kalb County, Illinois. They made their home on the southeast quarter of section 36, in Clinton township. From that time on this was James' only home. He lived there seventy-three years.

Children:

i. Ward (3), born Dec. 4, 1866; married Feb. 10, 1897, Mary Gray. Ward has been a ruling elder of the church for thirty years. Children: James Russell, Ella, Cecil, Ralph Graham, Mary Edna, Reba, Donald.

ii. Helen, born Nov. 9, 1868; died in Sandwich, Ill., Dec. 1, 1908; married Oct. 3, 1894, Albert C. Winter. Children: Ruth, Eva Marie, Wallace, Paul Kenneth, James Everette Winter.

iii. Robert James, born Nov. 4, 1871; married Oct. 12, 1898, Jeannette Beveridge Kirkpatrick, born Mar. 11, 1878. Children: Lois K., Leslie Kirk (died July 23, 1920), Sara Jeannette.

iv. Margaret, born Dec. 25, 1873; died Apr. 2, 1907; married Rev. Elzie R. Mitchell, Jan. 3, 1901. Children: Sara Eloise, Emma Belle, James Russell.

v. Russell, born June 11, 1876; died Jan. 29, 1896, while a student in Monmouth College.

vi. Mary Belle, born Dec. 15, 1878; married Oct. 4, 1905, John Thompson, a farmer. Children: Mary Genevieve, Margaret, Robert, Leroy, Betty Jean.

vii. Sarah Jane, born Dec. 24, 1881; died June 6, 1902.

viii. William John, born May 18, 1886; married Jan. 12, 1912, Maida Gowdy. He is a graduate of Monmouth College and is in business in Monmouth, Ill.

All of James W. (2) McAllister's children early joined the United Presbyterian Church.

The McCleery Family

The McCleery family is descended from a Scottish laird of Glasgow, whose name was probably Cleerson or McCleerson. They had a family crest showing a pelican feeding its young from, as it was then supposed, its own heart's blood, signifying family devotion. The crest has never been in vogue with the American descendants, but the devotion remains unabated.

JOHN (1) McCLEARY, born November 7, 1771, in Glasgow, Scotland, the only son of the family; died at Dalton, Ohio, December 14, 1849; married in 1797 Margaret, a daughter of Thomas Cook, of Cambridge, Washington County, New York; born March 10, 1778; died September 11, 1856.

When nearly twenty-one years of age, John McCleary was overpowered in London by the press-gang and forced into the British navy. He determined he would attempt an escape from the injustice at the first opportunity. In the course of events the man-of-war on which he was serving set sail for Quebec. For some reason a younger officer struck McCleary with his sword, whereupon he knocked the officer down. To strike a superior in those days was a capital offense. He was court-martialed and sentenced to be shot, but was pardoned by the commander of the ship.

On reaching Quebec our hero studied the situation and decided that here was a possible opportunity to make his escape; though extremely hazardous, he took it. By some means he crossed to the south shore of the St. Lawrence, probably by rowboat, or possibly by swimming the three-mile river. He was unarmed, save for a club he had secured, which would give him some protection against possible pursuers and the dangerous animals which roamed the dense forests. Being a

strong man, it is said, he doubtless traveled fifty miles at his highest speed before he halted for food or rest.

In a southerly course he made his way through a mountainous country of unbroken forests for three hundred and fifty miles. By chance he stopped at a cabin of Thomas Cook's, a pioneer in the settlement of Cambridge, Washington County, New York. This was about the year 1793, or possibly a year or two later. McCleary was in an exhausted condition from his extreme physical exertion and mental strain. He was taken into the Cook home and kindly cared for. Food and rest were all that were needed to give him back his strength, which after some days was restored.

He remained in the community of Cambridge and went to work. He never again heard from his father's family. Being a deserter in a technical sense, though he never did and would not enlist, he dared not communicate with his parents, for the English government would naturally be guarding that point to get a trace of him. To make his obscurity more impenetrable, he changed his name to McCleery, which spelling has been retained.

Children:

i. Robert (2), born in Argyle, N. Y., June 27, 1801; died Sept. 12, 1801.
ii. James, born June 5, 1803.
iii. Mary Ann, born Aug. 2, 1805, in Greenwich.
iv. Jane, born Sept. 19, 1807, in Greenwich; died July 26, 1826.
v. Thomas, born in Greenwich, N. Y., June 18, 1809; died Dec. 25, 1883, at Creston, Iowa.
vi. Edward Cook, born Mar. 18, 1811.
vii. John, born May 30, 1813.
viii. Margaret, born May 1, 1815, in Greenwich, N. Y.; came to Somonauk; died Dec. 29, 1885, in Washington, Iowa. Unmarried.

ix. Elizabeth, born Mar. 7, 1817; came to Somonauk; died Feb. 23, 1858, at her home in Clinton township, De Kalb County, Ill.; married Jan. 14, 1845, David (1) Orr. (See page 206.)

x. Catherine, born May 25, 1821; came to Somonauk; died, unmarried, Oct. 28, 1863, in Detroit, Mich.

About 1825 John McCleery and family removed from Washington County, New York, to Canada, near Niagara Falls. They did not take with them their church certificates, intending to send for them after they were settled. Through technicality or misunderstanding it was necessary for James McCleery to make a trip to Philadelphia, to a meeting of the synod, to get the matter straightened out. Considering the facilities at that time, it would be equal to a trip from New York City to the western coast seventy years later. Thus we have an example of the value placed on church membership in early days, and also the strict adherence to the church law requiring letters of dismissal.

John McCleery, with his entire family, including the family of James (2), removed from Canada to the neighborhood of Dalton, Ohio, in 1841. Here the father died in 1849. In 1851, with their mother, the brothers and sisters, except John (2) and family, and Mrs. Elizabeth (McCleery) Orr, moved to Somonauk township, Illinois. John (2) and the Orr family followed in 1852.

Mrs. John (1) McCleery died at Somonauk, Illinois, September 11, 1856, and was buried in Oak Mound Cemetery. She requested her sons not to place a stone at her grave, so her son John went a long distance and procured an evergreen tree to mark her resting-place.

JAMES (2) McCLEERY, born in Argyle, New York, June 5, 1803, died February 22, 1892, in Washington, Iowa. While living in Canada, James (2) married Jean Thomson

about January 1, 1833. She was born at Strauraer, Scotland, in 1808; died in Victor township, De Kalb County, Illinois, in 1858, and was buried in Oak Mound Cemetery. She was the daughter of Hugh and Ann (Melvin) Thomson. Ann Melvin was a daughter of James Melvin and Jean Paul. Jean Paul Melvin was a sister of John Paul, better known as John Paul Jones, one of America's great naval heroes in the War of the American Revolution, who was thus Mrs. James McCleery's great uncle.

Children:

i. John (3), born Jan. 22, 1834.

ii. James, born June 18, 1835.

iii. Hugh, born in Canada; lived but a few days.

iv. Robert, born in Canada Nov. 15, 1839; died Mar. 22, 1842, in Ohio.

v. Mary Ann, born in Canada Jan. 22, 1841; died July 31, 1907, in Reinbeck, Iowa; married January, 1865, John C. (3) Beveridge. (See page 99.)

vi. Margaret, born near Dalton, Ohio, Feb. 22, 1843; died Aug. 23, 1916, at her home in Squaw Grove township, De Kalb County, Ill. After her mother's death in 1858 she lived in Detroit, Mich., in the home of Mr. Harshe. On her return she married, in 1862, Alexander (2) Howison. (See page 157.)

vii. Elizabeth, born near Dalton, Ohio, Mar. 28, 1845; married Sept. 10, 1873, Thomas Henderson Robinson; born July 12, 1849. They bought a farm in Clinton township from David Orr, where they lived many years and brought up their family. Mrs. Robinson died at the home of her daughter, Isabelle (Mrs. Merritt Hoy Beveridge), Sept. 23, 1922, in Somonauk township, De Kalb County, Ill.

Children:

i. James McCleery (4) Robinson.
ii. Isabelle Robinson, born June 22, 1877; married Merritt Hoy Beveridge. (See page 93.)
iii. Benjamin Robinson.
iv. John B. Robinson married Margaret Ethyl McCoy, of Indianapolis, Iowa, and lives on the Robinson homestead.
v. Lee Robinson died young.
vi. Margaret Robinson married Wallace J. Black, an attorney in Peoria, Ill.
vii. Jean Elizabeth Robinson married Wendell A. Potter, a physician in Sandwich, Ill.
viii. William Doig, born June 10, 1848.

JOHN (3) McCLEERY, born January 22, 1834, in Canada; died in Victor township, De Kalb County, Illinois, January 24, 1917; married Ann McCall, born December 30, 1840; died January 14, 1920, on the farm where she had lived all her married life. They were married September 10, 1862, and celebrated their golden wedding September 10, 1912.

Children:

i. Robert (4), died in middle life.
ii. John, married Mrs. Alma Fraser.

Child:

i. Wayne (5).

iii. James Andrew, unmarried.
iv. Margaret, a teacher of much ability; died in middle life.
v. Annie, living with her sister Lulu May.
vi. Lulu May, keeping house for her brother James on the farmstead.

vii. Carlisle, a minister of the gospel; married Jessie Bull. They have three children.
viii. Bessie, married Hoyt Gilbert; she lives in Hinckley, Ill.; her husband died recently. She has three children.
ix. Benjamin Henderson, married Sept. 3, 1924, Mary Hastings. They have one son, HUGH

JAMES (3) McCLEERY was born in Canada June 18, 1835; died May 23, 1903, on his farm in Clinton township, De Kalb County, Illinois; married February 1, 1858, Margaret Graham; born June 15, 1837; died August 16, 1926, in Waterman, Illinois.

Children:

i. Sarah Jane (4).
ii. John Andrew.
iii. Margaret.
iv. Mary.
v. Fannie Elizabeth.
vi. Adaline.
vii. Isabel.
viii. William Russell.
ix. Raymond.
x. Nettie.

WILLIAM DOIG (3) McCLEERY was born near Dalton, Ohio, June 10, 1848; died at his home in Victor township, De Kalb County, Illinois, April 29, 1903; married first, December 20, 1870, Mary Jeanette (5) Randles; born August 14, 1850, a daughter of Andrew (4) Randles; died February 6, 1881.

Children:

i. Howard (4), born Apr. 1, 1873; married Ethel Carouthers, and is farming in Alberta, Canada.

Children:

i. Marian (5).
ii. Evelyn.
iii. Ruth.
iv. Marjorie.

ii. Albert, born May 4, 1875; married Feb. 20, 1902, in De Kalb County, Ill. Mary Ellen (4) Henry, born Oct. 17, 1875, and now living on a farm near Goldfield, Iowa.

Children:

i. Mary Jeanette (5).
ii. Irene Ellen.
iii. Sarah Belle.

William Doig McCleery married second, February 21, 1882, Jennie Elizabeth Maxwell; born in Washington County, New York, November 24, 1858. She is living (1927) in New Concord, Ohio.

Children:

i. Ruth (4), died in infancy.
ii. Harry, married Ethel Graham. They are farming near Butler, Ind.
iii. Archie, married and is living in Indiana.
iv. John, married and is living in New Concord, Ohio. He is a physician and for a few years he was medical missionary in the Soudan district, Africa, but returned because of ill health. He hopes to be able to return to the Soudan, and in the meantime is the College Physician in New Concord, Ohio.
v. Fannie, married Kenneth Ferguson, in Alberta, Canada.
vi. Catherine, born May 22, 1851; died May 25, 1855.

EDWARD COOK (2) McCLEERY, sixth child of John (1), was born March 18, 1811, in Greenwich, Washington County, New York; died May 6, 1889, at Washington, Iowa. At Dalton, Ohio, he married Jane Bell; born at Dalton, October 13, 1824; died September 8, 1889, in Washington, Iowa.

They removed from Dalton, Ohio, to Somonauk, Illinois, in the spring of 1851, bought a farm two miles south of the United Presbyterian Church and lived there while they were in Illinois.

Children:

i. Margaret Ann (3), born May 1, 1844; died Sept. 29, 1902, at Somonauk, Ill.; married Robert Watson.
ii. Isabel Jane, born Aug. 5, 1845; died Feb. 16, 1846, at Dalton, Ohio.
iii. John William, born Dec. 29, 1846; died July 23, 1852, from the bite of a rattlesnake, at Somonauk, Ill.
iv. Eliza Ellen, born Oct. 13, 1848; married Charles Weeks. Is living in Alhambra, Cal.
v. Robert James, born Apr. 30, 1850; died Oct. 13, 1917; married Ida Ball.
vi. Samuel, born Sept. 26, 1852; died Feb. 12, 1918; married Eva Lincoln. He served one term in the Iowa legislature.
vii. Mary, born Oct. 8, 1854; lives in Los Angeles, Cal.; married James A. Walker.
viii. Isabella, died young.
ix. Edward, born Apr. 13, 1860; died Aug. 2, 1887, in Iowa.
x. David, born Mar. 5, 1862; died Jan. 8, 1885, in Iowa.
xi. Catherine Bell, born July 2, 1867; died July 25, 1872.

JOHN (2) McCLEERY, born May 30, 1813; died December 5, 1887; married about 1845, Adaline Coleman; born December 28, 1826; died March 9, 1903. They removed from Dalton, Ohio, to Somonauk, Illinois, in 1852, and lived

on a farm for several years in Clinton township, De Kalb County. Both are buried at Washington, Iowa.

Children:

i. James Martin (3), born July 23, 1847.

ii. Marie, born in 1849; died in 1917, at Washington, Iowa; married James Laughead.

Children:

i. Adelbert (4) Laughead, of Des Moines, Iowa.

ii. William Laughead, of Des Moines, Iowa.

iii. Ethel Laughead, in Laboratory Department of the City Hospital, Aurora, Ill.

iv. Lulu Laughead, married Dr. J. E. Edgington, Washington.

iii. Thomas, M. D., died in 1917 at Exeter, Neb.; had two children.

iv. Edward, living in Los Angeles, Cal.

v. John, died in California in 1924.

vi. Elizabeth, married Rev. Mr. Marshall. While traveling with her husband, Mrs. Marshall died in Palestine and was buried in Jerusalem in the Protestant burial ground.

vii. Margaret, born May —, 1865; died Sept. 25, 1903. She was the first graduate nurse of Washington County, Iowa. She also graduated from the Illinois Training School, Chicago, Ill., at the head of her class. She became a nurse of great ability.

viii. Andrew, died in infancy.

JAMES MARTIN (3) McCLEERY was born July 23, 1847; died at Waterloo, Iowa, in 1917, at the home of his son George. He married Sarah Agnes (8) French, daughter of William and Isabel (Beveridge) French. Sarah French was a granddaughter of George and Ann (Hoy) Beveridge. She died June 10, 1926.

Children:

i. Hugh (4), married in 1902, Ola Hamilton.

Children:

i. Richard (5), a graduate of Muskingum College, New Concord, Ohio; now associated with his father in business.

ii. Carolyn, a student at Monmouth College.

After graduating from the Washington (Iowa) Academy, Hugh (4) was city editor of the Washington (Iowa) *Journal* for about ten years; served in the Spanish-American War on the Florida east coast; has manufactured art calendars for advertising purposes for more than twenty years. He was elected ruling elder of the First Washington (Iowa) United Presbyterian Church in 1914 and has been clerk of session since that time. He is at present chairman of the board of trustees of the Washington County Hospital, and was president of the Washington County Chautauqua Association this year, 1926, and also chairman of the Washington Rotary Club.

ii. Marie, married Roy Randles; living in Waterman, Ill.; has three children.

iii. George, in business in Waterloo, Iowa; has two children.

iv. Harriet, married A. E. Weber; died and buried at Clarion, Iowa.

Children:

i. Nicholas Francis (5).

ii. Isabel.

v. Ada Belle, superintendent of Evanston Hospital, Evanston, Ill.

vi. Agnes, married A. E. Weber, Clarion, Iowa. Mr. Weber is connected with a Clarion bank.

The McClellan Family

ROBERT (1) McCLELLAN, born in Galloway, Scotland, in 1716; died in Salem, New York, August 24, 1789; married in 1754, Nicholes Gordon, of the family famous in Scottish history; born in Scotland in 1730; died in Cambridge, New York, in 1799. They left their home in Micklemox, Parish of Buttle, Scotland, in June, 1774. After a voyage of three months in the ship *Golden Rule* they landed in New York City. From there they journeyed by way of Albany to Burley, Vermont, being four days in crossing the Green Mountains. No wheeled vehicle had ever crossed at that point. In 1784 they removed to Hebron, Washington County, New York. An interesting account of the family will be found in a letter written by William, their eldest son.

Children:

i. William (2), born 1755.
ii. John. (See page 188.)
iii. Robert, born 1766. (See page 188.)
iv. Grissey, born 1769. (See page 190.)
v. Mary. (See page 190.)
vi. Nancy. (See page 190.)

WILLIAM (2) McCLELLAN, born 1755, Parish of Buttle, Scotland; died ——; married first, March 2, 1786, Janet, a daughter of James Thompson, of Salem; born May 15, 1766; died October 7, 1808. Married second, January —, 1811, Rachel, a daughter of John Armitage, of Cambridge, New York. There were eight children by the first marriage, four daughters and four sons. We have record of only one of these children.

Child:

i. James (3), born Apr. 4, 1794. (See page 184.)

The following account of this family is contained in a letter written by William McClellan: "I, William McClellan, for the information of my children, and all it may concern, do, on this 5th day of September, in the year of our Lord, 1829, write the following memorandum:

"I was born in the town of Micklemox, Parish of Buttle, in the year 1755, and in 1769, we moved to the new town in the Parish of Twenhold in the Stewartry of Galloway, Scotland, near Kilcudbright, where we lived five years under Lord Selkirk.

"In 1774, my father, Robert McClellan, and my mother, Nicholes Gordon, and six children of us—William, John, Grisey, Robert, Mary and Nancy—set out for America. We set sail at the mouth of the River Dee, sailed around to the Isle of Whitham, where we took in the most of our passengers.

"Then we set sail on board of the ship *Golden Rule*; she proved leaky and we put into Dublin to get her refitted, where we remained three days. The ship *Jenny* started the same hour each about 250 passengers.

"We had a long passage of three months and four days to New York, the ship *Jenny* getting in one day before us. We had provisions pretty plenty found us and paid about five guineas each per passenger.

"Then we went from New York to Albany, from thence to Manchester, New Hampshire, from there across the Green Mountains to Burley, only fourteen miles, the road being new, we were four days getting over there. There never had been a wheeled carriage across there before. From Burley we went to Springfield in Vermont, on the Connecticut River, where we remained about ten years.

"We got there late in the fall and the Revolution broke out the next spring.

"In the year 1784 we moved from Springfield to Black Creek, now called Hebron, in the County of Washington and State of New York.

"Our father and mother and part of the family lived in Salem a number of years. Our father, Robert McClellan, died in the year 1789, aged 73 years, and was buried in Salem.

"Grissey, our eldest sister, married Colen Maxwell of Cambridge. They had one child, George, and soon after he was born his mother died in the year 1792, aged 23 years, and was buried in Salem.

"In 1799, our mother died, aged 69 years, and was buried in Cambridge where our brother John had moved.

"Our brother-in-law, John Hall, had moved to Argyle, died and was buried there in 1828, aged about 64 years.

"Our brother, Robert McClellan, died in the year 1829, aged — years, and was buried in Hebron.

"I, William McClellan, was married to Janet Thompson, of Salem, on the 2nd day of March, 1786.

"We had eight children, four sons and four daughters. We lived happily together 22 years, 8 months and 5 days. She died the 7th day of October, 1808, aged 42 years, 4 months and 22 days. She was buried in the burying ground in Hebron. 'The sweet remembrance of the just shall flourish when they sleep in the dust.' She was one of the best of women and died so, I believe.

"In two years and three months after my first wife's death I married Rachel Armitage, daughter of John Armitage, of Cambridge, with whom we lived agreeably to this date.

"Our youngest sister, Nancy, was first married to Rev. John Cree, afterward to John Moody. She died April 22, 1832."

JAMES (3) McCLELLAN, born April 4, 1794; died February 8, 1869; married Hannah Nelson, born September 13, 1794; died August 12, 1855; a daughter of John Rogers Nelson, of Hebron. They had eight children.

Children: i. Samuel Nelson (4), born Nov. 9, 1826.
ii. James, born Sept. 18, 1830. (See page 186.)

SAMUEL NELSON (4), McCLELLAN, born in Hebron, Washington County, New York, November 9, 1826; died in Squaw Grove township, De Kalb County, Illinois, July 28, 1898; married, in the home of Mrs. Jemima Hoy Cummings, in Somonauk township, De Kalb County, September 30, 1856, Margaret Macklin; born in Glenagoosland, Ireland, September 16, 1836; died in Squaw Grove township April 22, 1898, daughter of James and Margaret (Tompson) Macklin. Mrs. McClellan came to Hebron, New York, when six years of age and lived there until she came with Mrs. Cummings to Somonauk in 1855.

Samuel Nelson McClellan came to Somonauk, Illinois, in 1856, and purchased a farm about a mile north of Freeland Corners, where he brought up his family. He united with the Associate Church and was a constant attendant as long as he lived.

Children:

i. James C. (5), born Feb. 12, 1859.
ii. Margaret, born Mar. 22, 1861.
iii. Elizabeth, born Nov. 11, 1864.
iv. Mima C., born Jan. 19, 1867.
v. Jennie, born Jan. 2, 1869.
vi. John R., born Aug. 22, 1871.
vii. Alfred Nelson, born Nov. 23, 1873.
viii. Mattie May, born Mar. 22, 1876.
ix. William Ralph, born Sept. 16, 1880.

JAMES C. (5) McCLELLAN, born February 12, 1859; married Mary C. Worth.

Children:

i. Margaret Ethel (6).
ii. Verna Hazel.
iii. Cora Madge.

MARGARET (5) McCLELLAN, born March 22, 1861; married January 24, 1884, Hoyt J. Wilcox.

Child:

i. Ethel (6) Wilcox.

ELIZABETH (5) McCLELLAN, born November 11, 1864; died July 16, 1916; married February, 1883, Ellsworth E. Wilcox.

Children:

i. Edna Pearl (6) Wilcox.
ii. Earl Wilcox.
iii. Myrtle Belle Wilcox.

MIMA C. (5) McCLELLAN, born January 19, 1867; married September 13, 1917, Arent H. van Ohlen.

JENNIE (5) McCLELLAN, born January 2, 1869; died April 24, 1903.

JOHN RUSSELL (5) McCLELLAN, born August 22, 1871; married October 7, 1896, Irene Hubbard.

Children:

i. Lois Margaret (6).
ii. Mima Elma.
iii. Kenneth Nelson.
iv. Ralph Raymond.
v. Preston Russell.
vi. Dorothy Elizabeth.
vii. Gladys Birdella.
viii. Cyril.
ix. Clifford Alden.

WILLIAM RALPH (5) McCLELLAN, born September 16, 1880; married January 10, 1909, Lucy Shipman.

Children:

i. Melvin Wendell (6).
ii. Margaret Iona.
iii. Beth.
iv. Willard.

JAMES (4) McCLELLAN, born September 18, 1830, in Hebron, New York; came to Somonauk in 1856; united with the Somonauk church and soon after purchased a farm north

of Freeland Corners, near his brother, Samuel Nelson, October 17, 1861; married Emeline Amanda Stewart, daughter of Elijah and Agnes (McGaughey) Stewart, at Somonauk, Illinois, their pastor, the Rev. W. T. Moffett, performing the ceremony. In 1889 they removed to Monmouth, Illinois, that they might have their children at home while they were attending college. Mr. McClellan and his wife died in Monmouth.

Children:

i. Theresa Agnes (5), born Aug. 14, 1863; married Dec. 31, 1885, Alexander Skinner French; born Nov. 8, 1855. Their daughter, Alta Grace, was a teacher for three years in the Pressley Memorial Institute, Assint, Egypt, and has since been appointed a regular missionary. (See page 123.)

ii. William Stewart, born Jan. 15, 1866; married Magdalen W. Turnbull; born Dec. 15, 1869, at Morning Sun, Iowa. They are living at Long Beach, Cal.

iii. Ernest Stewart, born May 20, 1869; married Lulu Belle Knox; born June 22, 1867, at Paxton, Ill. Their daughter, Mary Emeline, born April, 1895, is a teacher in Whittier College.

iv. Mary Boyd, born June 23, 1873; married Rev. A. A. Samson; died Apr. 11, 1924. The Rev. Mr. Samson was a Reformed Presbyterian minister for eight years in New Concord, Ohio; five years in Topeka, Kan.; seven years in New York City, and two years in Los Angeles, Cal. He died as a result of an automobile accident in Los Angeles.

v. Grace Annette, born Jan. 5, 1876; died Nov. 29, 1895, in Monmouth College where she was a student.

vi. Harry Vincent, born Dec. 6, 1884; married Ethel St. Clair. He is a teacher of chemistry in Seattle, Wash.

JOHN (2) McCLELLAN, married Sarah Thompson, and died in Cambridge, New York.

ROBERT (2) McCLELLAN was born in 1766, in Micklemox, Parish of Buttle, Scotland; died January 6, 1829, and was buried in Hebron, New York; married Mary Thompson; born in 1768, a daughter of William and Sarah (Rowen) Thompson, who were members of the party that, under the leadership of Dr. Clark, migrated from Ireland in 1764 and settled in Salem, Washington County, New York.

Children:

i. Sarah (3), born Dec. 11, 1794; married Alexander (2) Beveridge. (See page 98.)
ii. William, born Oct. 30, 1796.
iii. Robert Gordon, born Sept. 17, 1799.
iv. Nancy, born Feb. 3, 1802.
v. John, born July 24, 1804.
vi. Phoebe F., born Aug. 14, 1808; married William (2) Armstrong. (See page 80.)

ROBERT GORDON (3) McCLELLAN, born in Hebron, New York, September 17, 1799; died November 11, 1864; married, first, February 19, 1829, Nancy Cruickshank, of Salem, New York; born August 12, 1804; died in Hebron, New York, March 5, 1854.

Children:

i. Peter Cruickshank (4), born Oct. 26, 1829.
ii. Robert, born Sept. 10, 1832; died, Hebron, N. Y., Oct. 21, 1856.
iii. Mary, born Aug. 2, 1834; died, Hebron, N. Y., Oct. 22, 1866.
iv. David Martin, born May 23, 1837, Hebron, N. Y.; died Mar. 6, 1913, at Perth, N. Y.
v. Margaret, born May 25, 1839; died, Oxford, Ohio, Nov. 14, 1921.

On January 28, 1857, Robert Gordon (3) McClellan married as his second wife Margaret Liddle, of Salem, New York.

Child:

i. Delliplaine (4), born Hebron, N. Y., Jan. 17, 1860; died Kansas City, Kan., Feb. 13, 1913.

PETER CRUICKSHANK (4) McCLELLAN, born near West Hebron, Washington County, New York, October 26, 1829; died, Somonauk, Illinois, April 25, 1898; married September 7, 1864, Isabel Beveridge, a daughter of Mathew and Elizabeth (Hutton) Beveridge.

As a boy he made good use of such educational advantages as were afforded and laid a foundation on which he builded throughout his whole life. For a time he taught school in his home county and later in Iowa, and then decided to be a farmer, subordinating personal ambition to promote the interests of his younger brothers and sisters.

Being a devoted Christian and descended from generations of church men and women, "he had so partaken of the divine nature," writes one of his descendants, "that he somehow evidenced the presence and power of Christ to his fellow men." It is related that on one occasion a street scoffer was berating the church and demeaning Christians in general. A bystander called attention to Peter McClellan riding by and asked if he included him in his denunciations. The man hung his head for a moment and then replied, "But Peter is different." As a Bible teacher and superintendent of the Sabbath School he made careful and thorough preparation. In consequence he succeeded in this work far beyond the usual layman. It is not surprising to find that he was a responsible citizen who re-received and deserved the confidence of the community.

Child:

i. Mary Ella (5), born Nov. 7, 1869.

MARY ELLA (5) McCLELLAN, born November 7, 1869; married October 11, 1894, Rev. John Ewing Bradford. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bradford were graduates of Monmouth College, and together they shared the responsibilities of two pastorates held by Mr. Bradford, one in Tranquillity, Ohio, and the other in Media, Illinois. In 1905 they moved to Oxford, Ohio, where for fourteen years Mr. Bradford was Professor of History and instructor in the Bible in Miami University. Since his appointment as general secretary of the Board of Education of the United Presbyterian Church in 1919, their home has been in Chicago.

Children:

i. Margaret (6) Bradford.
ii. Isabel Bradford.
iii. James McClellan Bradford.
iv. Martha Agnes Bradford.

GRISSEY (2) McCLELLAN, born 1769; died 1792; married Colen Maxwell, of Cambridge, New York. She is buried in Salem.

Child:

i. George (3) Maxwell.

MARY (2) McCLELLAN, born ———; married John Hall, of Argyle, who died 1828.

NANCY (2) McCLELLAN, born ———; died April 22, 1832; married first Rev. John Cree; married second, John Moody.

The McEachron Family

DONALD (1) McEACHRON, with his wife, Anna McDonald, a sister of Mrs. Alexander McNaughton, and their daughter Catharine, came from the Isle of Islay, Scotland, with the first of Captain Lauchlan Campbell's Highland Scotch

colonists in 1738, and settled in Kakiate, Orange County, New York. By 1764 Donald (1) had died, leaving his widow with three sons and three daughters.

Children:

i. Catharine (2), born in Scotland. Not traced.
ii. Cornelius, "Neil," born in 1739.
iii. John. (See page 195.)
iv. Peter, born in 1748. (See page 195.)
v. Daughter. Not traced.
vi. Daughter. Not traced.

CORNELIUS (2) McEACHRON was born in 1739; settled in Argyle, New York, in 1775, where he died in October, 1817; married about 1767, Katharine Acker, who died in 1819. Mrs. McEachron was of Scotch parentage and was adopted by a Holland Dutch family of the name of Acker. Their five eldest children were born in Tappan, Orange County, New York, and the others in Argyle.

Children:

i. Daniel N. (3), born 1768; died in Argyle, Nov. 19, 1828, unmarried.
ii. Jacob, married Elizabeth, a daughter of Alexander Simpson, Sr.
iii. John N., born Oct. 4, 1771.
iv. Cornelius, married Nancy McEachron [Peter (2), Donald (1)].
v. Peter N., born Oct. 1, 1774. (See page 192.)
vi. Philip, born Oct. 19, 1776. (See page 194.)
vii. Alexander. Not traced.
viii. Catharine, married John Livingston.
ix. Ann, married Samuel Gamble.
x. Sarah, died young.

JOHN N. (3) McEACHRON was born October 1, 1771; died in Argyle, March 30, 1850; married Jane Nelson; born

in 1777; died November 1, 1843. Mrs. McEachron was a daughter of Joseph Nelson and Isabel Rogers.

Child:

i. James A. (4), born Dec. 1, 1817.

JAMES A. (4) McEACHRON was born December 1, 1817, in Argyle, Washington County, New York; died September 1, 1867, in Somonauk township, De Kalb County, Illinois; married in Argyle, Margaret McGeoch; born in Washington County, New York, July 14, 1816, a daughter of John and Agnes (McClure) McGeoch; died in Somonauk township, De Kalb County, Illinois, November 25, 1886. They left no children. Arriving in Illinois in 1858, they became members of the church by certificate.

Mrs. McEachron married second, Edward D. Whitney. He died several years ago. They are buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

PETER N. (3) McEACHRON was born October 1, 1774; died in Argyle, February 1, 1859; married there July 18, 1802, Mary, a daughter of Dougal McKallor; born April 15, 1777; died February 13, 1852. They had nine children.

Child:

i. John Andrew (4), born Mar. 20, 1818.

JOHN ANDREW (4) McEACHRON, the ninth child of Peter N. (3), was born in Argyle, New York, March 20, 1818; died near Waterman, Illinois, June 8, 1887; married in Argyle, New York, January 1, 1851, Jeannette, a daughter of George and Mary (Robinson) Lendrum; born September 24, 1825; died near Waterman, Illinois, March 28, 1879.

They removed from Washington County, New York, to De Kalb County, Illinois, in the spring of 1866, and purchased a farm in Clinton township from Milo Tuttle. They joined the United Presbyterian Church at Somonauk by certif-

icate of good standing from the Argyle church, and their children later became members. They are buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

Children:

i. Frank (5).

ii. Mary, married Daniel Weigle. He died some years ago.

Children:

i. Nora (6) Weigle.
ii. Rose Weigle.
iii. Aravista Weigle.
iv. Roscoe Weigle.
v. Jeanette Weigle.

iii. Acker.

iv. Helen, died unmarried.

v. Nora, married Gilbert Henry.

vi. Duncan Lendrum.

FRANK (5) McEACHRON, married Florence Miller. They are both dead.

Children:

i. Jeanette (6).

ii. Norma.

iii. Harold.

ACKER (5) McEACHRON married Finette Norton in 1886, at Waterman, Illinois, and soon after went into business with a lumber company at Franklin, Nebraska, of which town he was mayor for some years. In 1910 he was nominated for governor of Iowa on the Prohibition ticket. Later he was stationed at Oak Park, Illinois, for a number of years. From there he removed to Waterloo, Iowa. At present he is living in Goldfield, Iowa.

Children:

i. Ruth (6), married and has four children. She is a leader among women in many departments of good work.

ii. Scott A. is married and has two children; lives in California, where he is prominent in the banking world.

iii. Paul N. is Professor of Psychology in Oberlin College, Ohio; is married and has four children.

DUNCAN LENDRUM (5) McEACHRON married Ella Scott at Burlingham, Kansas. Their children were born at Topeka, Kansas.

Children:

i. Don Scott (6).
ii. Lendrum S.
iii. John Douglass.
iv. Robert.
v. Jean.

Professor McEachron has been associated with Washburn College as a teacher for thirty years. He is now vice-president and was for many years dean of the college. Among his many duties he has charge of the endowment fund of $200,000. Mrs. McEachron, a superior woman, busy in church, school and social work, has made a beautiful home as well.

PHILIP (3) McEACHRON was born October 19, 1776; died in Argyle, March 27, 1842; married first, Elizabeth, daughter of Henry Tinkley, Jr.; married second, Catharine McKallor; born in Argyle, February 16, 1781; died there March 18, 1852. She was a daughter of Dougal McKallor, son of Archibald (1) and Janet (Reed) McKallor.

Child by second marriage:

i. Thomas (4), seventh son of the above; born Oct. 13, 1819.

THOMAS (4) McEACHRON was born October 13, 1819; died November 29, 1902; married in Argyle, New York, March 12, 1846, Margaret Gregg, a daughter of George Lendrum and wife Mary, daughter of Duncan and Jeannette

(Robeson) Robinson; born in Argyle, October 20, 1823; died January 8, 1897.

In the spring of 1867, Mr. McEachron came with his family to Somonauk, Illinois, where he purchased a farm in Clinton township, built a house, and made further improvements; and here the parents spent the rest of their lives. Mr. and Mrs. McEachron and their children were devoted members of the Somonauk United Presbyterian Church.

Children, born in Argyle:

i. George Lendrum (5), born June 21, 1848; died Oct. 28, 1910; married Cornelia McGeoch.

ii. Mary Robertson, born Jan. 20, 1851; died Dec. 7, 1892; married Andrew Graham. (See page 134.)

iii. Anna Jennette, born Dec. 27, 1854; married James (4) Graham. (See page 137.)

iv. Emma G., born Aug. 31, 1860; died Dec. 4, 1900; married Dec. 13, 1888, John Elsey, of Seattle, Wash.

Children:

i. Ernest (6) Elsey.
ii. Everette Edward Elsey.
iii. William Floyd Elsey.
iv. Marguerita Ellen Elsey.
v. George Leigh Elsey.
vi. Thomas Reed Elsey.

JOHN (2) McEACHRON married Mary, daughter of Duncan and Mary (Gillis) Taylor. This family changed the name to McCarter and settled in New York City.

PETER (2) McEACHRON was born in 1748; died in Argyle, New York, December 19, 1841; married Maria, daughter of George and Eva Gertrude (Dings) Kilmore, of Argyle, New York. Mrs. Peter (2) McEachron's sister, Eva Kilmore, married John Allen and, with her family was killed

by a band of Indians, in Argyle, New York, July 25, 1777. Mr. McEachron is mentioned as having been on picket duty in Salem on that day.

Child:

i. Nancy (3), married Cornelius (3).

The Mahaffey Family

JOHN (2) MAHAFFEY was a son of John (1) and Ella Mahaffey, both of Monaghan County, Ireland; born in Gortmore, April 16, 1837; died March 11, 1917, in De Kalb, Illinois; married, December 25, 1861, Martha, daughter of John and Mary Brant, of Essex County, New York. She was born October 4, 1837, in Montreal, Canada; died June 3, 1894, at her home near Hinckley, Illinois.

Children:

i. Thomas J. (3), born Sept. 21, 1862.
ii. Martha I., born Oct. 12, 1864.
iii. Robert David, born Nov. 2, 1866.
iv. John Andrew, born Apr. 20, 1869.
v. Margaret McClellan, born June 30, 1871.
vi. Mary Winifred, born Sept. 21, 1873.
vii. William Armstrong, born July 18, 1876.
viii. Gordon Kennedy, born Nov. 17, 1878.

THOMAS J. (3) MAHAFFEY, born September 21, 1862, in Argyle, New York; married Myra Overbaugh, December 28, 1887. They farmed for several years, but Mr. Mahaffey is now engaged in the real estate business in Sandwich, Illinois.

Child:

i. William B. (4), born Aug. 22, 1890; married May 4, 1915, Bertha Childs. They are living in Aurora, Ill., where Mr. Mahaffey is engaged in the real estate and insurance business.

Child:

i. Charles Thomas (5).

MARTHA IDELLETTE (3) MAHAFFEY, born October 12, 1864, at Argyle, New York. She came to De Kalb County with her parents when a child, but returned to East Greenwich, Washington County, and married Eli Matteson, on December 28, 1899.

Child:

i. Clarence (4) Matteson, married Etta Chamberlin. Clarence and his wife Etta live with Mrs. Matteson, in Salem, N. Y.

ROBERT DAVID (3) MAHAFFEY, born November 2, 1866, near Hinckley, De Kalb County, Illinois; married November 7, 1892, in Chicago, Illinois, Margaret Malone. Robert David has been for many years connected with the American Well Works, Aurora, Illinois, and is now vice-president and treasurer of this company.

Child:

i. Lois Vivian, who lives with her parents.

JOHN ANDREW (3) MAHAFFEY, born April 20, 1869, near Hinckley, Illinois; married Etta McClymonds, at Kirkwood, Illinois. He is pastor of the United Presbyterian Church at Stronghurst, Illinois. He was a graduate from Monmouth College and from Xenia Theological Seminary.

Children:

i. Mary Lois (4), married Henry Gilliland, June, 1926.
ii. Frances.
iii. Jean.

MARGARET McCLELLAN (3) MAHAFFEY, born June 30, 1871, near Hinckley, Illinois; married May 27, 1896, James A. Watson, at Aurora, Illinois, where they now reside.

Child:

i. Martha Ruth (4) Watson, married C. Frederick Toenniges, a musician of Detroit, Mich.

MARY WINIFRED (3) MAHAFFEY, born September 21, 1873, near Hinckley, Illinois; married April 10, 1901, Bert V. Mead. Mr. Mead died about 1921, at Eagle Grove, Iowa.

Child:

i. Gordon V. (4) Mead, who is now attending the University of Illinois.

WILLIAM ARMSTRONG (3) MAHAFFEY, born July 18, 1876; died August 5, 1908; married Elizabeth Hillard, in Aurora, Illinois. At the age of thirty-one years William Armstrong, who was in business with the American Well Works, in Aurora, was drowned.

Child:

i. Chauncey Elbert (4) married in September, 1925, Florence Yates. They are living at Ottumwa, Iowa.

GORDON KENNEDY (3) MAHAFFEY, born November 17, 1878; died April 24, 1879.

John Mahaffey, after his marriage in 1861, engaged in farming in Argyle, Washington County, for about four years. In the spring of 1865 he removed with his family to Somonauk, De Kalb County, Illinois. They later bought a farm of eighty acres near Hinckley. On their arrival at Somonauk they joined the United Presbyterian Church by certificate of good standing from their church in Argyle, New York. They are buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

The McKee Family

WILLIAM (1) McKEE was born July 28, 1806; died June 4, 1883; married first, ———. He was the owner of a woolen mill in Jefferson County, Ohio.

Children:

i. Joseph (2).
ii. Alexander.
iii. Maria.
iv. Sarah.
v. Samuel.
vi. John.

William McKee married second, Mary Stewart (6), born at Coitsville, Ohio, June 5, 1812; died June 16, 1878, at her home in De Kalb County, Illinois. Mary Stewart was a sister of Elijah (6) Stewart, who was for thirty-seven years an elder of the Somonauk United Presbyterian Church. She had cared for their invalid mother until her death, when she married William McKee, March 8, 1860. They resided in Jefferson County, Ohio, for three years until 1863, when they moved to Victor township, De Kalb County, where they had purchased a farm. Mr. McKee's daughters lived with the family until they married, and were, like their parents, members of the Somonauk church, as were also Joseph and Alexander until they returned to the East to live. Joseph was a volunteer in a Pennsylvania regiment in the Civil War and was wounded, being partially crippled for life. Mr. and Mrs. McKee are buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

The Mercer Family

DAVID SMITH (1) MERCER, born in Hockstown, Beaver County, Pennsylvania, May 12, 1827, was a son of Robert and Elizabeth (Smith) Mercer and a grandson of Joseph and Comfort (Nottingham) Mercer; married November 14, 1850, Margaret Thornberg, a daughter of James and Nancy (Veasey) Thornberg; born in Beaver County, Pennsylvania, February 9, 1831; died in November, 1888.

Mr. Mercer was a farmer and he and his wife set up housekeeping in Beaver County, Pennsylvania. They were members of the Service United Presbyterian Church in the same county. In November, 1854, they were visited by a severe stroke of misfortune. Returning from church on Sabbath afternoon, they found that, during their absence, their house had been reduced to ashes by a fire of unknown origin.

The next year, 1855, Mr. Mercer visited Somonauk and bought eighty acres in Clinton township. The following spring

he brought his family west and settled on this land. The family united with the Somonauk church and in 1857 Mr. Mercer was elected to the office of ruling elder, which position he filled for many years. He also held many township offices while he lived in Clinton. In 1892 he removed to Sandwich, where he died, July 1, 1903.

Children:

i. Robert James (2), born 1854.
ii. Joseph, born 1856.
iii. Thomas, born 1858.
iv. John, born 1860.
v. Alvin, born 1861.
vi. William Moffett, born 1863.
vii. Samuel W., born 1865.
viii. Ida B., born 1868.
ix. Jennie, born 1870.

ROBERT JAMES (2) MERCER, born in Beaver County, Pennsylvania, in 1854; married February 1, 1882, Emma Heun. They have one son and three daughters. They have lived for the last forty years in Chicago, Illinois.

JOSEPH (2) MERCER, born in 1856; died October 10, 1922; married in 1882, Lina Elinger, at Odebolt, Iowa. They had one child, who died young. He married second, Sarah Landen, who died September, 1922.

THOMAS (2) MERCER, born in Clinton township in 1858; married, in 1882, Ida Hamlin. He was for many years a farmer, but now resides in Sandwich, where he was postmaster for several years.

Children:

i. Iona (3).
ii. Myrtle.

JOHN (2) MERCER, born January 24, 1860. He is a farmer and owns the homestead; married, in 1891, Alice Fisher. They are living in Waterman.

Children:

i. Mildred (3).
ii. Raymond.
iii. Mary.

ALVIN (2) MERCER, born in 1861; married, in 1864, Rose Didda, at Ida Grove, Iowa. He has been a farmer and an engineer; is living at Berwyn, Illinois.

Children:

i. Howard (3).
ii. Ruth.
iii. Blanche.
iv. Glen.
v. Harold.
vi. Grace.

WILLIAM MOFFETT (2) MERCER, born in 1863; married in 1884, while living at Franklin, Nebraska, Ella Lattin. He is a lawyer and is living in Aurora, Illinois.

Children:

i. Maude (3).
ii. Ivan.
iii. Crystal.
iv. Mark.
v. Mona.
vi. Leona.

SAMUEL WALLACE (2) MERCER, born in 1865; died in 1887.

IDA BELLE (2) MERCER, born in 1868; married Willis Tuttle. They are living in California.

JENNIE (2) MERCER, born in 1870; married James E. Landen. They are living in California.

The Moffett Family

WILLIAM TURNER (2) MOFFETT, D. D., born at Bloomington, Indiana, July 27, 1837, son of John (1) and Letitia Strong Moffett, of Chester District, South Carolina; died March 28, 1916, married first, April 9, 1861, Jennie Morrison Robb, of Aledo, Illinois, a daughter of Hugh M. Robb; died February 13, 1869. Mrs. Moffett was a graduate of Monmouth College in the class of 1859.

Children:

i. Wallace B. (3), deceased.
ii. Hugh R., editor *Daily Review Atlas*, Monmouth, Ill.
iii. William P., lieutenant-colonel United States Cavalry.
iv. Helen M., teacher of Latin, high school, Winfield, Kan.
v. Jennie R., county nurse, Xenia, Ohio.

Dr. Moffett married second, February 11, 1872, Elizabeth Shepherd, of Xenia, Ohio, who died December 23, 1917.

Graduated from the Indiana State University at Bloomington, 1857, and, with the degree of Doctor of Divinity, from Monmouth U. P. Seminary in 1861, Dr. Moffett was licensed by the Southern Indiana Presbytery, April 8, 1860, and ordained pastor of Somonauk church, his first charge, April 3, 1861, succeeding Rev. R. W. French, who was the first pastor of Somonauk church. After serving this church for seventeen years, he resigned November 27, 1876. Early the following year he became pastor at Morning Sun, Iowa, remaining there until called to be the stated supply at Montrose, Woonsocket and Bonilla, South Dakota, in 1883. In April, 1891, he accepted a call to College Springs, Iowa, where he remained until he went to Arkansas City, Kansas, in 1894. After supplying at Big Spring, Tennessee, he retired from active work on account of failing health, making his home at Xenia, Ohio, where he died. It has been well said of him that "in all of

these places he left a fragrant memory." He was moderator of the Illinois Synod in 1868, of the Iowa Synod in 1882 and of the Kansas Synod in 1897. For many years he was widely known in the temperance movement.

Dr. Moffett and his first and second wives are buried at Oak Mound Cemetery.

A daughter of Major William P. Moffett, a United Presbyterian missionary in China, was seriously injured when the Chinese Nationalist Army captured Nankin in the spring of 1927.

The More Family

JAMES (1) MORE, born July 20, 1815, in Washington County, New York; died April 27, 1858, in Victor township, De Kalb County, Illinois; married late in the '30s in Washington County, Marie P. Thompson; born October 20, 1820; died December 3, 1906, near Viola, Kansas.

Children:

i. Wallace (2), born 1840.
ii. Margaret Jane, born July 24, 1842; died Nov. 12, 1891; married Oct. 20, 1860, James R. Graham. (See page 140.)
iii. Joseph, born July 27, 1844; died in June, 1876.
iv. Sara Elizabeth, born July 14, 1846; died Oct. 11, 1880; married E. E. Mitchell.
v. James Irwin, born Jan. 30, 1849.

They came to Somonauk in the spring of 1850 and united with the Associate Church early the same year. They bought from the government one hundred sixty acres in Victor township and built a cabin on it. James More did not have rugged health and died in 1858 of what was then called "consumption." Wallace and Joseph carried on the farm.

WALLACE (2) MORE enlisted in the 8th Illinois Cavalry in September, 1861. The regiment was soon sent to the front

in the Army of the Potomac. After five months' service he was discharged on account of failing health. After some months he regained his health and in the summer of 1862 enlisted in Company H, 105th Illinois Infantry. He took part in all the fighting that the regiment did. At the battle of Goldsboro, Sherman's last battle, he lost his right arm. This was just three weeks before Lee surrendered to Grant. Coming home in June, 1865, he learned to write with his left hand, and was elected county clerk at the next election after his discharge. He married and had one child, but in a few years his health failed and he died while still a young man.

JAMES IRWIN (2) MORE, born January 30, 1849; died in Viola, Kansas, February 2, 1927; married May 17, 1883, Jane Dobbin, by whom he had ten children.

The Morrison Family

WILLIAM (1) MORRISON was born in Scotland in the latter half of the eighteenth century, where he married Margaret Coventry early in the nineteenth century.

Children:

i. John (2).

ii. Thomas.

JOHN (2) MORRISON was born in 1821, and about 1842 came with a brother to America to investigate the opportunities for an American home. They chose a farm near Schenectady, New York, and set about earning money to help bring their parents and other members of the family across the water. This accomplished, the family lived near Schenectady for several years, and there John (2) married Jane McGue, who was of Scotch parentage but born in 1820 in the state of New York. The name "McGue" is a corruption of McGeoch. The following incident will explain the change:

A McGeoch family came to America and settled near Schenectady. One of the older sons enlisted in the state militia.

In registering his name the registrar had difficulty in spelling and articulating it; finally he said, "Oh, yes, McGue," and registered it that way. In that family the name "McGue" has been retained since, though they are of the same blood as the McGeochs of Washington County, New York.

John (2) Morrison and his wife immigrated to Aurora, Illinois, in the spring of 1852 and settled near the C. B. & Q. Railroad, at that time known as the Aurora Branch Railroad Company. They lived in the neighborhood of St. Charles for three years, but, hearing of one hundred sixty acres of unimproved prairie land in Victor township, De Kalb County, that could be bought reasonably, Mr. Morrison investigated and closed the deal. There they lived a long time and their prosperity exceeded their expectations.

Children:

i. Mary Agnes (3) married William T. Nelson.

Child:

i. Marian (4) Nelson, who is a musician of much ability.

ii. William John married Emma Highby; died as the result of an accident, Nov. 16, 1888, aged thirty-three years.

Children:

i. Ella (4).

ii. John.

iii. Willa.

THOMAS (2) MORRISON secured one hundred sixty acres two miles south of John's. Being unmarried, he asked his parents to come and make their home with him. After some years Thomas' health failed, and he died. His parents then went to live near their son John, where they died in the spring of 1881. The two families were received into the United Presbyterian Church and were consitsent members to the end.

Mrs. Jane (McGue) Morrison died January 31, 1888, aged sixty-eight. Not long after, Mr. Morrison rented the farm to his son-in-law, William T. Nelson, and, with the widow of his son William, removed to Waterman, where he purchased a house.

They transferred their church membership to the Waterman Presbyterian Church, where for some years they regularly attended. Mr. Morrison died at a ripe old age. His children early united with the church. These families are all buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

The Orr Family

DAVID (1) ORR, born May 10, 1818; died at Des Moines, Iowa, November 20, 1893; married in Wayne County, Ohio, January 14, 1845, Elizabeth, a daughter of John (1) and Margaret Cook McCleery; born March 7, 1817, in Washington County, New York; died February 23, 1858, in Clinton township, De Kalb County, Illinois.

They removed to Somonauk, Illinois, in 1852, bought and lived on a farm in Clinton township, where Mrs. Orr died six years later. On arriving at Somonauk they united with the church by certificate.

Children:

i. Mary Ann (2).
ii. James Doig.
iii. Ellen.
iv. John S.
v. William.
vi. Smith.

David (1) Orr married second, Martha Jane McAffee; born in Ireland in 1825; died at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, in May, 1897. He and both wives are buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

Children:

i. Levi R. (2), born Dec. 3, 1860.
ii. Sarah Jane, born Feb. 13, 1865.
iii. David, born Feb. 13, 1865.

Levi (2) and David (2) engaged in the implement business in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. David (2) Orr was originally a carpenter by trade and also a farmer, and good at both. He was a large, jovial man. For many years he was secured by other carpenters in the community for manager and "Crier" at barn-raisings; he had a good voice and a command of men.

JAMES DOIG ORR (2) married November 2, 1871, Philomelia J. (4) Henry; born November 13, 1850. Mr. Orr died December 21, 1874. Mrs. Orr died July 18, 1919, at Viola, Kansas.

Children:

i. Mary Ella, born Dec. 14, 1871.
ii. Minnie J., born May 22, 1873; died Aug. 2, 1886.

SARAH M. ORR (family not traced) in 1896 married George Beveridge French (8). (See page 122.)

The Patten Family

County Essex was the early home of the family in England, and the name is first mentioned in 1119, when Richard Patten is recorded as son and heir of Richard Patten, of Patten House, near Clemsford in County Essex.

About 1490 several families of Pattens removed from County Essex, England, and settled in Ayrshire, the early home of the family in Scotland.

Six coats of arms were granted to different branches of the Patten family in England and Scotland. Their motto is "Nulla Palescere Culpa"—"Never made Pale with Guilt."

The first Patten of record to remove to Ireland was James, born in Scotland about 1725, whose wife was a sister of one of the ruling elders of the Reverend Dr. Thomas Clark's church. About 1750 James settled in County Monaghan. True Orangemen, the Pattens, as long as they remained in Ireland, took pride in wearing their orange scarfs on July 12.

WILLIAM (1) PATTEN, the first of the name of whom we have definite knowledge, had a son James, born in Scotland about 1725.

JAMES (2) PATTEN, born in Scotland about 1725; married there about 1750, Margaret Hanna, a sister of David Hanna, one of Dr. Clark's ruling elders. They removed soon after their marriage to County Monaghan, Ireland, where all of their children were born, and where they both died. Their residence in 1756 was Rack Wallace, Parish of Monaghan, County Monaghan, Ireland.

Children:

i. William (3), born November, 1752.

ii. Hannah, baptized Feb. 25, 1754, by Rev. Thomas Clark, M. D.

iii. John, baptized May 24, 1756, by Rev. Thomas Clark, M. D.

iv. Mary, married William Bell.

v. James, married Rachel Blakeley.

Children:

i. William (4).

ii. Robert, served in the English army and died in Afghanistan.

iii. John.

iv. James.

v. Mary, married David Lemon.

WILLIAM (3) PATTEN, son of James (2) and Margaret (Hanna) Patten, was born near Stonebridge, County Monaghan, Ireland, November, 1752, and died in the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Bishop, in Argyle, New York, December 12, 1841, in his ninetieth year. He married in Ireland, about 1780, Martha Nesbitt; born in 1752. They arrived in

New York, June 24, 1794. Immediately upon landing they went to Salem, New York, where they were most kindly received by Mrs. Patten's stepfather, William Guthrie. But here another sorrow awaited them (their eldest son had been drowned on the voyage), for they learned that Mrs. Patten's mother had just died.

William Patten purchased a farm one and a half miles from Argyle. Here their family was reared and here Mrs. Patten died March 2, 1817. Martha Nesbitt Patten was a niece of Elizabeth Nesbitt, wife of Rev. Thomas Clark, M. D., of Salem, New York. Their children, except the last, were born near Stonebridge, County Monaghan, Ireland. A note on the Clark family appears in the Appendix.

Children:

i. Margaret (4), born about 1781; died in Argyle, N. Y., in 1806; married there, in 1805, John (3) Sybrandt [Sovereigh (2), John (1) and wife Elizabeth, daughter of Governor Rip Van Dam of New York], who was one of the heirs of the celebrated Anneke Jans.

ii. Robert, born in 1783; was drowned while on the ocean voyage in June, 1794.

iii. Mary, born July, 1789; died in Argyle, N. Y., Dec. 12, 1854; married there Dec. 12, 1812, John Bishop (William and Elizabeth McKallor).

Child:

i. Eliza (5) Bishop, who married Cornelius McEachron, of Argyle.

iv. James, born July 4, 1793.

v. Elizabeth Clark, born in Argyle, N. Y., November, 1800; died in Washington, Iowa, Jan. 4, 1865; married in Argyle, about 1824, John Firman Bain, of Argyle.

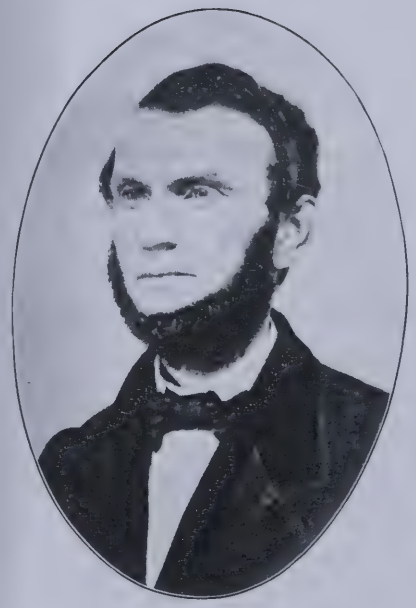
Children:

i. William (5) Bain.
ii. Enoch Bain.
iii. James Bain.
iv. Robert Bain.
v. Henry Lant Bain.

JAMES (4) PATTEN, son of William (3) and Martha (Nesbitt) Patten, was born near Stonebridge, County Monaghan, Ireland, July 4, 1793; died in Salem, Washington County, New York, December 21, 1827; married Mary, daughter of William (3) and Mary (Livingston) Robertson, in the home of her brother, William Robertson, Jr., in the village of East Greenwich, Washington County, New York, April 18, 1816, Rev. Alexander Bullions, D. D., performing the ceremony. Her mother dying at her birth, Mary (2) Robertson, born in Argyle, New York, August 7, 1793, was reared by her grandmother, Eleanor Livingston, a daughter of Alexander McNaughton; died in the home of her son William, near Sandwich, Illinois, April 6, 1890, in her ninety-seventh year. (See appendix for McNaughton connections.) At her grandmother's knee Mary Robertson heard the tales of Bonny Prince Charley, for Mrs. Livingston was ten years of age at the time of the Rebellion of 1745 and had vivid recollections of its stirring incidents.

Children:

i. William (5), born Jan. 21, 1817.
ii. Eleanor Livingston, born in Granville, N. Y., Dec. 8, 1818; died in her mother's home in the township of Greenwich, Washington County, N. Y., July 1, 1835, in her seventeenth year.
iii. Robert, born April 13, 1820. (See page 219.)
iv. Alexander Robertson, born Aug. 14, 1823. (See page 221.)



Alexander R. Patten
First Member

Mrs. James (4) Patten
(Mary Robertson) Charter Member

Mrs. William Patten, First
(Elizabeth Nelson Pratt)
Charter Member

Mrs. William Patten, Second
(Jane Somes)

v. Martha Nesbitt, born on her father's farm in the township of Greenwich, Washington County, N. Y.; came to Illinois in 1844 with her mother and brothers, Robert and Alexander. She was married in the home of her brother, Robert Patten, Oct. 28, 1845, to Dr. W. M. Sweetland, of Newark, Ill. The winters after her marriage were spent in Chicago, where her husband was studying medicine at the Rush Medical College. Her health failing, six weeks before her death she was taken to the home of her brother, Robert Patten, in Somonauk, where she died Mar. 21, 1847. Dr. Sweetland, the son of Colonel Bowen and Elizabeth (Durkee) Sweetland, was born in Dryden, N. Y., Nov. 18, 1819; died in Highland Park, Ill., Jan. 22, 1902. He was at one time mayor of Highland Park.

In 1815 James (4) Patten went to Kingston, Ontario, where he worked at the saddler's trade. From there he wrote to his intended in July, 1815, that a rumor was being circulated that Bonaparte had been beaten by Wellington in Flanders.

HON. WILLIAM (5) PATTEN, born in the village of East Greenwich, township of Greenwich, Washington County, New York, January 21, 1817; died while on a visit at the home of his son Edward, in Yuma, Colorado, February 1, 1897, aged eighty years.

William was not quite twelve years of age when his father, James (4), died, and until 1843, except four years in the store with his Uncle Moses Robertson in East Greenwich, his home was with his mother on a farm in Greenwich, New York. Deciding to go west that year, he made the home of George Beveridge, in Somonauk, Illinois, his objective, arriving there on May 17, 1843.

That summer he worked in the harvest field and assisted in building a barn for Mr. Devine. Having determined to make his future home in this vicinity, he returned to Washington County that fall and on October 11, 1843, married his first wife, Elizabeth Nelson Pratt; born in the village of Cossayuna, township of Greenwich, Washington County, December 8, 1819. Mrs. Patten died in her home three miles north of Sandwich, Illinois, January 8, 1856.

Mrs. Patten came of several Revolutionary stocks, being the daughter of Simon Newcomb Pratt and his wife, Deborah Isabel, daughter of Joseph Nelson, Jr. (Joseph, Sr., and wife Isabel Rogers), and wife Mary, daughter of Lieutenant Daniel McCleary and wife Elizabeth Savage, the latter a daughter of Captain John and Eleanor (Hamilton) Savage, of Salem, New York.

Mrs. Patten was the ninth in descent from Joshua Pratt, who came from England to New England in the ship *Ann* in 1623. Joshua Pratt was one of the surveyors who laid out the village of Plymouth, Massachusetts, receiving as compensation for his work one peck of corn a day. Her great-grandmother, Isabel (Rogers) Nelson, was a lineal descendant of the Reverend John Rogers, the martyr, who was burned at the stake at Smithfield, England, February 4, 1555, the first Protestant martyr in the reign of Queen Mary of England. Her brother was the Reverend John Rogers who in 1767 succeeded the Reverend Thomas Clark as pastor of his church at Cahans, near Ballibay, County Monaghan, Ireland, and was pastor of the church for nearly fifty years.

Soon after his marriage William (5) Patten returned to Illinois to prepare a home for his bride and widowed mother. The following spring, 1844, his wife and mother, his sister Martha and two brothers came west. The latter lived on a farm rented from James Scott, about three miles east of their own land in Little Rock.

The following autumn Mr. Patten completed his house, which was three miles north of the site on which Newark Station (now Sandwich) was later located. It was built of three-inch plank, sawn at Sterritt's mill on Somonauk Creek, on the farm later owned by S. D. Coleman. The shingles were rived out of the butt ends of white oak logs, two days' work being given for one to pay for cutting them. The house was twenty feet square and had twelve-foot posts, with plank dovetailed at the corners. It had rooms on the story above, and still exists as part of an outbuilding. On January 1, 1845, the young couple moved into their new home.

By virtue of his sound principles and ability Mr. Patten was influential in the community. He stood for clean politics in his county and state and he took a prominent part in public affairs. A leader in securing the location of Newark Station, he and his associates stuck to their conviction that the location was a promising one, and succeeded in convincing the railroad company of that fact. The thriving city of Sandwich has long been a standing proof of their clear foresight.

In 1856 Mr. Patten, being on the board of supervisors, voted for an appropriation of $5,000 to build the first jail in the county. Petty criminals had been allowed and even encouraged to escape for want of a place to keep them. Those guilty of greater crimes were taken care of by the sheriff or his deputy, who was compelled to have the prisoner padlocked to his arm for safe-keeping. In spite of this state of affairs there was strong opposition to the appropriation. The jail, however, was built.

Elected five times supervisor of Somonauk township, Mr. Patten served two terms in the Illinois House of Representatives, 1854, 1855, 1858 and 1859. He was elected state senator for one term, 1866 to 1870. A member of the House of Representatives at the time of the Lincoln-Douglas contest for the office of United States senator, he voted for Lincoln.

Mr. Patten was one of the first two ruling elders elected in

the Somonauk United Presbyterian Church he had helped to plant in the early '40s, and he served in that capacity for forty years, until he moved from the town.

In the dark days of the Civil War Mr. Patten was in the van in recruiting volunteers for the army. At President Lincoln's call for volunteers he helped recruit the first company from Sandwich, Illinois, accompanying the boys as far as Cairo, Illinois, where they were the second company to arrive. At the stations along the way they were cheered long and loud until Centralia was passed, after which there was less enthusiasm. Near Cairo, however, one lone old man came running down a hill waving the stars and stripes and cheering with all his might. In response, the boys nearly raised the car roofs cheering him and his flag.

Mr. Patten recruited other companies of volunteers and went to the front as captain of Company H, 156th Illinois Volunteers, in response to President Lincoln's last call in the winter of 1865, though past forty-five years of age.

Mr. Patten was not only a progressive in his efforts to promote the welfare of the community, but also was one in his vocation as a farmer. It is said that he bought and erected the first windmill in De Kalb County. It was the Halliday, made in Batavia, Illinois. The investment saved him several hours each day, pumping water by hand to water a large stock. He was also the first man in Somonauk township to utilize drain tile for improving his farm land. When he got his five hundred acre farm drained to suit him he had under its surface a network of six miles of tiling.

Children:

i. James Miller, (6), born Apr. 16, 1845; died Sept. 29, 1849.

ii. Simon Newcomb, born May 3, 1847; died May 22, 1848.

iii. Edward Moses, born Aug. 6, 1849.

iv. Dr. Simon Nelson, born May 1, 1852; died July 24, 1922.

v. Jennie M., born Nov. 27, 1854; unmarried; lives with her brother Edward near Yuma, Colo. For years she has taken a deep interest in family history and genealogy.

EDWARD MOSES (6) PATTEN, born near Sandwich, Illinois, August 6, 1849; married there January 22, 1879, Harriet Jane, daughter of David and Sarah Knights Marselus, who was seventh in descent from Jan Marselus, one of the earliest settlers in Albany, New York. Their children were born near Collins, Iowa.

Children:

i. William David (7), born Nov. 18, 1879; died Nov. 20, 1879.

ii. Mary Louise, born Apr. 6, 1881; died in Denver, Colo., July 6, 1901.

iii. Sarah Elizabeth, born Mar. 31, 1883; unmarried.

iv. Ethel Abigail, born May 7, 1885; married in Sandwich, Ill., Apr. 14, 1906, Clare Everett Lett, whose Revolutionary ancestors were Jacob Reiser, of Berks County, Pennsylvania, and William Nichols, of Sutton, Mass.

Children:

i. Helen Virginia (8) Lett, born Sept. 16, 1907.

ii. Charles Patten Lett, born Mar. 16, 1910.

iii. Phoebe Elizabeth Lett, born Dec. 7, 1911.

iv. Harriet Louise Lett, born Apr. 6, 1914.

v. Clarabelle Jean Lett, born Aug. 12, 1920.

v. Albert Edward (7), born June 19, 1887; married at Sandwich, Ill., Apr. 11, 1917, Laura Lesley Cook, of Chicago, Ill.

vi. Grace Jane, born Apr. 17, 1890; married near Sandwich, Ill., Sept. 17, 1913, Albert Nelson Boyd.
Child:
i. Annette Jane (8) Boyd, born near Sandwich, Ill., Sept. 3, 1917.

SIMON NELSON (6) PATTEN, fourth son of Hon. William and Elizabeth N. (Pratt) Patten, was born May 1, 1852, near Sandwich, Illinois; died July 24, 1922, at Brown's Mills, In-the-Pines, New Jersey.

Dr. Patten began his education, as many a great scholar has done, in a little country schoolhouse, at an early age working on the farm through the farming season and attending school during the winter term. Graduated from Jenning's Seminary, Aurora, Illinois, in June, 1873, he helped his father on the farm until September, 1875, when he entered the freshman class at Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois. Soon after, however, he decided to go to the University at Halle, Germany, following his friend Edmond J. James, who afterwards was president of Northwestern University and later of the University of Illinois.

Dr. Patten graduated from the University of Halle with high commendation from his professor in political economy, and returned to America in December, 1878, after an absence of three years. In September, 1879, he entered Northwestern University Law School. He had been there only about two months when he was obliged to give up his work on account of failing eyesight, and for three years was unable to do literary work. During this time he worked on his father's farm, but thought much of the theme in which he was so deeply interested—political economy. In 1882 he consulted an able oculist in Philadelphia and was enabled to resume his studies and write his first book, "The Premises of Political Economy."

After 1882 he taught for several years in Homewood, Illinois, and later was superintendent of the schools of Rhodes,

Iowa, for a year. By this time his book had won for him the reputation of a deep thinker and a master in the field of political economy. With this book to his credit, and the recommendation of Dr. Edmond J. James, he secured the chair of Political Economy in the Wharton School of Finance and Commerce in the University of Pennsylvania. Mr. Patten taught continuously in this great institution for twenty-nine years, when he reached the age of sixty-five years, the age of retirement fixed by the university. His length of service entitled him to a Carnegie pension for university professors. Dr. Patten assisted financially many young men who could not otherwise have finished their courses. Dr. Edmond J. James said of him, "Professor Simon Nelson Patten was a prince of a teacher and a father to the boys."

Dr. Patten wrote a number of books on political economy and kindred subjects, which were used in schools as text-books, also numerous articles which he contributed to economic and scientific magazines. After his retirement from the university in May, 1917, he continued to live in Philadelphia and devoted his time to literary work as long as his health permitted. "The Development of English Thought," "The Theory of Prosperity," "Heredity and Social Progress," and the "Economic Basis of Protection" are some of his other works.

During 1908 and 1909 Professor Patten was president of the National Educational Association. He attended the Economic Conference at Washington at the invitation of President Roosevelt.

Simon Nelson Patten married Charlotte Kimball, daughter of Solon Dexter and Jennie (Green) Kimball, in Canton, New York, September 2, 1903; she was born September 2, 1873, in Adams, Jefferson County, New York.

William (5) Patten married second, August 12, 1856, Miss Jane Somes, born in Argyle, New York, April 17, 1829; died in Oklahoma, August 21, 1911. Mrs. Patten was a daughter

of Jonas and Lois (Hanks) Somes and a granddaughter of Timothy and Anna (Andrus) Somes, all of Argyle, New York. Her portrait faces page 210.

Children:

i. Charles J. (6), born Sept. 7, 1857.
ii. Anna Mary, born July 17, 1860.
iii. Alexander Robertson, born July 18, 1864.
iv. William Somes, born May 21, 1869.
v. Frederick Livingston, born July 20, 1872.

The Revolutionary ancestor of Mrs. Jane Somes Patten was Sergeant John Hanks, who was among the men from Connecticut towns who marched for the relief of Boston in the Lexington Alarm in April, 1775. He served in General Israel Putnam's regiment and was in action at the Battle of Bunker Hill. Later, he served in Canada under General Benedict Arnold.

William (5) Patten died at Yuma, Colorado, February 1, 1897, while on a visit with his son Edward and daughter Jennie, having just passed his eightieth birthday. He was brought to Somonauk for burial. Dr. G. H. Robertson, of Sandwich, Illinois, conducted the service in the United Presbyterian Church, attended by devoted friends and relatives. He is buried at Oak Mound Cemetery, near his home church in the family lot where his wife and other members of the family lie, and where the good he accomplished keeps fresh his memory.

CHARLES J. (6) PATTEN, born September 7, 1857; married first, in West Alden, New York, March 28, 1884, Harriet Clare Field, daughter of Oliver and Harriet (Coleman) Field; married second, September 29, 1925, Mrs. Phoebe Nichols Lett, daughter of Alonzo and Hannah (Moyer) Nichols.

ANNA MARY (6) PATTEN, born July 17, 1860; died in Edmond, Oklahoma, March 14, 1910; married in the home

Robert (5) Patten
First Member

Mrs. Robert Patten
(Catherine Sibley)

Sarah French
Charter Member

Charles J., Anna M. and
Jennie M. Patten

of her brother, Charles J. Patten, in Sandwich, Illinois, August 3, 1905, Charles Gilbert McDougall, of Chicago, Illinois.

ALEXANDER ROBERTSON (6) PATTEN, born July 18, 1864; lives in Edmond, Oklahoma.

WILLIAM SOMES (6) PATTEN, born May 21, 1869; married in Edmond, Oklahoma, April 6, 1898, Erma May, daughter of Addison A. and Adeline (Harreld) Howard. Mr. Patten has been for twenty-five years president of the First National Bank of Edmond, Oklahoma.

Children:

i. William Howard (7), born Dec. 20, 1898.

ii. Charles Harold, born Aug. 21, 1908. A student at Leland Stanford University.

WILLIAM HOWARD (7) PATTEN, born December 20, 1898; married in Knoxville, Tennessee, September 6, 1924, Mildred Eaton Simpson. Their home is in Edmond, Oklahoma, where he is cashier of the First National Bank.

Children:

i. William Robert (8), born July 26, 1925.

ii. John Howard, born Sept. 20, 1926.

FREDERICK LIVINGSTON (6) PATTEN, born July 20, 1872; married first, at Collins, Iowa, September 13, 1899, Clara May McNew; married second, in Kingfisher, Oklahoma, November 27, 1912, Grace Cooper.

ROBERT (5) PATTEN, son of James (4) and Mary (Robertson) Patten, was born in the village of Granville, Washington County, New York, April 13, 1820. His father having died in 1827, Robert, in 1838, at the age of eighteen, went to Bennington, Vermont, where he lived for six years. There, at the age of twenty-one, Mr. Patten was chosen cap-

tain of a company of Vermont militia. That year, 1841, a general muster of the state militia was held at an encampment at Bennington, and Robert Patten was awarded a first prize for the best-drilled company in the state of Vermont. In April, 1861, he helped to recruit and drilled the first company of Civil War volunteers raised in Sandwich, Illinois, but was prevented by ill health from going to the front as its captain.

In May, 1844, Robert Patten with his mother, sister Martha N., and brother Alexander R. came west to settle in Somonauk. After one year he returned to Bennington and on March 4, 1846, married Catherine Sibley, a daughter of John and Lovica (Clinch) Sibley. Soon after his marriage he returned with his young bride to Somonauk and settled on his farm adjoining that of his brother William, on the north, where he made his home until April, 1854, when he removed with his family to Sandwich, Illinois, to begin a business career.

Mr. Patten built and owned the first dwelling house in Sandwich after the railroad was constructed through that point. This house still stands and is part of the Methodist manse. He was the first station agent, serving for two years, and was postmaster for several years. He started and owned the first lumber yard, George Culver later becoming a partner. Mr. Patten also built and owned the first grain elevator and grist mill.

About 1856 a Presbyterian church was organized, and Robert Patten took his certificate from the Somonauk Church, seven miles to the northwest, with which he had united March, 1847. Entering with zeal into the activities and building up of the Sandwich church, he was early made a ruling elder, and continued in the office until he removed to Hillsdale, Kansas, in 1870, where he died, June 1, 1876.

Children:

i. Mary Catherine (6), born Dec. 6, 1846; married Owen Lindsay Post, Aug. 13, 1867.

ii. Helen Martha, born Dec. 29, 1849; married John Melvin Mannen, Mar. 12, 1884.

iii. Alice Lovica, born May 14, 1853; married Robert Dale Protzman, Sept. 29, 1875.

iv. Gilbert Robertson, born June 9, 1857; died April 1, 1858.

v. Julia Frances, born Feb. 5, 1859; died Dec. 28, 1863.

ALEXANDER ROBERTSON (5) PATTEN, the youngest son of James (4), was born on his father's farm near East Greenwich, Washington County, New York, August 14, 1823. His father died in Salem, Washington County, when this son was but four years old, and the mother with her family moved back on the old East Greenwich farm, which was the family home until they removed to Illinois in 1844. Mr. Patten attended the district school and later, with his sister, the academy in Argyle, New York.

In May, 1844, with his mother, sister Martha and brother Robert, he came to Somonauk to seek and make a future home. That year the three brothers, William, Robert and Alexander, rented a farm from Mr. James Scott near Little Rock. On it they raised a crop of spring wheat and harvested it with the heavy cradle scythe. About 1848, Alexander R. Patten and James H. Beveridge (afterwards brothers-in-law) opened a general store at Somonauk Corners, one and a half miles east of the church, at the crossing of the Galena stage road and the state road running from Ottawa and Sycamore. They continued in business at the Corners until the railroad opened in the spring of 1854, when they moved to Sandwich, where Alexander Patten built and opened the first store in the new town.

February 18, 1851, Alexander R. (5) Patten married Agnes Beveridge, the eighth child of George and Ann (Hoy) Beveridge. She was born at Greenwich, Washington County,

New York, June 17, 1829, and came to Illinois with her parents in 1842, when thirteen years of age.

On the removal of the family to Sandwich a new house was built an the northwest corner of Main and Third streets, in which the three younger sons were born. Mr. Patten soon became one of the prominent business men of the thriving little town. In the midst of his prosperity his store, which was a wooden structure, burned to the ground. Nothing daunted, he at once replaced it with a substantial brick building. This building is owned at the present time by his son, Henry J. Patten, and has been occupied by a drug store for over sixty years.

In 1857 Daniel Seymour, then auditor for the C. B. & Q. Railroad, visited Sandwich and became acquainted with Alexander Patten. This incident is interesting from the fact that nearly sixty years later his grandson Leslie Wheeler married Violet Patten, Alexander Patten's granddaughter.

Mr. Patten, deeply interested in the community's welfare, was always ready to contribute liberally in money or time for that purpose. He was a man possessed of uncommon business ability, and gave by inheritance liberally of that quality to his sons.

Mr. Patten united by profession with the church at Somonauk, March 28, 1847, where he continued a faithful member until he died, June 23, 1863, at his home in Sandwich, just two months before reaching forty years of age. In his short business career he accumulated a property, the income of which enabled his widow to give her children a good education. The youngest child was less than one year old when his father died.

Mrs. Patten remained in Sandwich until the death of her mother in 1865, when she went to live on the old Beveridge homestead farm in order to care for her aged father. She remained on the farm until 1874, when she returned to the family home in Sandwich. In the last years of her life she made her home with her son, James A. Patten, on Ridge ave-

Mrs. Alexander R. Patten (Agnes Beveridge)
First Member

Alexander R. Patten
First Member

nue, Evanston, Illinois, where she died July 9, 1909, having just passed her eightieth birthday. She was a woman of beautiful character and unusual ability.

Children:

i. James A. (6), born May 8, 1852.
ii. George W., born Feb. 7, 1854.
iii. William L., born Oct. 28, 1856.
iv. Thomas Beveridge, born Apr. 30, 1859.
v. Henry J., born June 30, 1862.

JAMES A. (6) PATTEN, born May 8, 1852, at Somonauk, Illinois; graduated from the academy of Northwestern University in 1869, with the expectation of entering the university. For many years he has been in the grain business on the Chicago Board of Trade. He lives in Evanston, Illinois, which city he served as mayor in 1901-3. He married, April 9, 1885, Amanda Buchanan, of Chicago, a daughter of James and Sophronia Foster (Ballou) Buchanan, born December 20, 1858, at Cumberland, Ohio.

Children:

i. Agnes (7), born Sept. 3, 1891, in Chicago.
ii. Thomas Beveridge, born July 23, 1893, in Chicago; deceased.
iii. John Lourie, born Feb. 19, 1896, in Chicago.

GEORGE W. (6) PATTEN, born February 7, 1854, at Somonauk, Illinois; was a graduate of Monmouth College, in the class of 1876. He taught one year in the Sandwich High School and later entered partnership with his brother James on the Chicago Board of Trade. He lived for many years in Evanston, Illinois, where he died, September 30, 1910.

WILLIAM LIVINGSTON (6) PATTEN, born at Sandwich, Illinois, October 28, 1856; died May 20, 1860.

THOMAS BEVERIDGE (6) PATTEN, born April 30, 1859; died October 19, 1883, in his twenty-fifth year. He was a young man of much promise. He attended Monmouth College one year and in the spring of 1880 he entered the office of Beveridge & Dewey, the former his uncle, ex-Governor John L. Beveridge. Because of his fine abilities and trustworthiness the firm sent him to New York City to establish a branch house there. Becoming ill with a recurrence of inflammatory rheumatism, he was taken to the home of his uncle, the Reverend Andrew Beveridge, in Lansingburg, New York, where his mother was visiting at the time, and died there shortly afterward. He was brought to Somonauk and buried in the family lot in Oak Mound Cemetery.

HENRY J. (6) PATTEN, born June 30, 1862, in Somonauk, Illinois; graduated from Cornell University in the class of 1884; married, December 18, 1893, at Pasadena, California, Emma Therese Herpin, daughter of Auguste and Laure (Martin) Herpin, of Jordoigne, Belgium. Mr. Patten has been in the grain business with his brothers for many years.

Child:

i. Rhoda Violet (7), married Leslie Wheeler, son of Charles Pinckney and Martha (Seymour) Wheeler, of Evanston, Ill., Jan. 15, 1916.

Children:

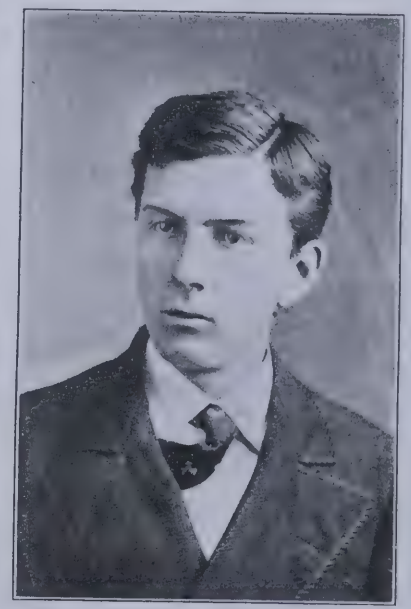
i. Leslie (8) Wheeler, born Sept. 17, 1917.

ii. Henry Patten Wheeler, born Dec. 18, 1919.

The Randles Family

ANDREW (1) RANDLES and family came from County Monaghan, Ireland, prior to the War of the Revolution and settled in Hebron, Washington County, New York. He married in Ireland, about 1756, Phoebe, daughter of Andrew and Phoebe (Strane) Todd.

James A. Patten, Aged 19



George W. Patten, Aged 21

Thomas B. Patten, Aged 14

Henry J. Patten, Aged 18

Children:

i. Hugh (2), born 1759.
ii. John, married Sarah Foster.
iii. Andrew, not traced.
iv. William, head of a family in Hebron in 1790.
v. Martha, married James Foster.
vi. Elizabeth, married William Hutchens.
vii. Phoebe, married Alexander Coulter of Cambridge, N. Y.

HUGH (2) RANDLES, born in County Monaghan, Ireland, in 1759; died in Hebron, N. Y., in 1825; married there, Jane, daughter of Alexander McClellan.

Children:

i. Hugh(3), married Elizabeth Livingston.
ii. Alexander, married Mary Ann Louden.
iii. William, married Nancy Guthrie.
iv. Andrew, married Elizabeth Barkeley.
v. James, a lawyer, died in Michigan.
vi. Jane, married James H. Flack.
vii. Margaret, married Col. William McClellan.

ALEXANDER (3) RANDLES, born in Hebron, Washington County, New York, April 9, 1791; died there January 14, 1860; married September 15, 1815, Mary Ann Louden; born July 14, 1797; died April 24, 1860.

Children:

i. Martha Jane (4), born June 22, 1816; married Joseph (2) Gilchrist. (See page 124.)
ii. Andrew, born Apr. 3, 1822.

ANDREW (4) RANDLES, born in Hebron, New York, April 3, 1822; died in Waterman, Illinois, March 16, 1896; married in Argyle, New York, February 13, 1845, Margaret

Ann McGeoch; born in Argyle, New York, February 15, 1825; died in Waterman, Illinois, March 28, 1891; daughter of Alexander McGeoch and wife Jannet, daughter of William (2) McClellan.

Children:

i. Alexander (5), born in Hebron, N. Y., Feb. 13, 1846.

ii. William J., born in Greenwich, N. Y., Aug. 9, 1848.

iii. Mary Jeannette, born Aug. 14, 1850; died Feb. 6, 1881; married Dec. 20, 1870, William Doig McCleery. (See page 177.)

Andrew (4) Randles, at the age of twenty-four years, was elected a ruling elder in the United Presbyterian Church in East Greenwich, New York, continuing to serve as elder until his removal to Illinois in 1867, where he was an elder in the Somonauk United Presbyterian Church until his death, fifty years in all.

Mr. Randles owned for twenty years the Patten homestead near East Greenwich, New York, where Alexander R. Patten was born and reared. Coming to Illinois in the spring of 1867, they bought an improved farm in Clinton township for $35 per acre. Here they spent the remainder of their lives.

WILLIAM J. (5) RANDLES, born in Greenwich, New York, August 9, 1848; died May 23, 1917; married in Somonauk, Illinois, December 17, 1873, Emily, a daughter of Thomas (3) White; born February 19, 1851; died February 17, 1888.

Children:

i. Martha (6), married first Archie Howison; second, George McCleery. (See pages 157 and 181.)

ii. Roy, married Marie McCleery.

iii. Andrew, married Myrtle Beitle.

iv. Anna, married Wallace Cox.

The Robertson Families

In Washington County there were several distinct groups of Robertsons of no known kinship.

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GILBERT (1) ROBERTSON, married Isabel Johnston, of Peterhead, Aberdeenshire, Scotland.

Child:

i. John (2).

JOHN (2) ROBERTSON, married Anne Hamilton.

Child:

i. William (3), born at Peterhead, Jan. 19, 1752.

WILLIAM (3) ROBERTSON, born January 19, 1752, in Peterhead, Aberdeenshire, Scotland; died in Argyle, Washington County, New York, February 15, 1825; married in Argyle, now Greenwich, September 24, 1775, Mary, a daughter of Archibald and Eleanor (McNaughton) Livingston, owners of lot No. 66 in the Argyle Patent. Mary Livingston, born in Tappan, Rockland County, New York, September 26, 1757; died in Argyle, August 7, 1793, when her ninth child was born. For the Livingstons, see with McNaughton in Appendix.

Child:

i. Mary (4), born in Argyle, August 7, 1793; married James (4) Patten. (See page 210.)

RUFUS ROBERTSON, who married Ann Fitch, is believed to belong to this branch of the family.

ELEANOR ROBERTSON, an aunt of Ann Hoy Beveridge, married William (1) Henry. (See page 148.)

II

JOHN (1) ROBERTSON and his wife Christie McLaughlin came from Blair Athol, Scotland, and settled in Putnam township, Washington County, New York, about 1800. John died in 1806, at thirty-six years of age.

Child:

i. William (2), born Aug. 25, 1805.

WILLIAM (2) ROBERTSON, born in Putnam, New York, August 25, 1805; died in Aurora, Illinois, February 18, 1885; married first, in July, 1835, at Putnam, New York, Isabella, daughter of Daniel and Margaret (Ray) Williamson; born in Putnam, Washington County, New York, March 15, 1815; died in Clinton township, De Kalb County, Illinois, May 6, 1855. In 1843 they immigrated to Illinois and settled on a prairie farm in Clinton township, De Kalb County. They were charter members of the Somonauk Associate Church. Mr. Robertson kept the post-office at Dorset for a number of years, using his house as his office. One year his salary amounted to $5.68. Portrait, page 236.

Children:

i. John (3), died aged 7 years, at Putnam, N. Y., July, 1843.

ii. Daniel, died aged 5 years, at Putnam, N. Y., July, 1843.

iii. Charles, died aged one month, at Putnam, N. Y., March, 1840.

iv. Alexander, died aged 2 years, at Putnam, N. Y., July, 1843.

v. Henry, born in 1844; died a soldier in the Union Army, at Jackson, Tenn., in 1863.

vi. William Russel, born Nov. 21, 1845; married Julia Fullerton, 1869, and died in Franklin, Neb., March, 1926.

vii. Robert Andrew, born March, 1848; served as a soldier in the Civil War for nearly three years; married Anna McFarland. Mrs. Robertson died early in 1926 and Mr. Robertson Nov. 3, 1927.

viii. Margaret Isabel, born August, 1850; died in Lincoln, Neb., in 1915; married first, _____ Douglas; second, Rev. Elam Phillips, who died in New York about 1890.

William (2), Robertson married second in Putnam, Washington County, New York, September, 1856, Margaret; born there October 28, 1824, daughter of William Graham and Jane (French), a daughter of Benjamin and Charlotte (Miller) French of Argyle, New York, and granddaughter of David and Susanna (Blair) French, of Cambridge, New York.

Children:

i. Nettie (3).

ii. Christie.

William Robertson, his two wives and his daughter Christie are buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

III

JAMES (1) ROBERTSON, with wife Margaret and their three children, came from Scotland and settled in Cambridge, New York, in 1794. His brothers William and Patrick came the same year. James (1) died April 30, 1829, aged seventy-six years. His wife died February 15, 1798, aged thirty-eight years.

Children:

i. James (2).

ii. John.

iii. William.

iv. Helen.

JAMES (2) ROBERTSON, married Agnes Oliver, daughter of Robert Oliver, who in 1794 was elected a ruling elder in the Coila United Presbyterian Church.

Children:

i. Robert Oliver (3), married Elizabeth Henry, sister of James Henry, of Somonauk, Ill.

ii. Margaret.

iii. William, born in Greenwich, Washington County, N. Y., Oct. 24, 1823; died in Somonauk, Ill., Dec. 25, 1885; married in Greenwich, N. Y., June 14, 1850, Anna Pamelia (3) Henry, born in Greenwich, N. Y., Nov. 10, 1822; died in Sandwich, Ill., Dec. 12, 1896, daughter of John Vetch (2) Henry and wife Pamelia Johnson.

Children:

i. William J. (4), for many years supervisor of Sandwich township, Sandwich, Ill.

ii. Anna Pamelia, married David James Armstrong, of Sandwich, Ill. (See page 81.)

The Shankland Family

JOHN (1) SHANKLAND, born in Sangour, Scotland, in 1774; died at South Argyle, New York, April 18, 1825; married Jannet ——, who died December 19, 1863, aged eighty years.

Children:

i. John (2), a physician.

ii. James, a clergyman.

iii. Moses.

iv. Elizabeth, died Jan. 3, 1852.

v. Margaret, married Peter Mott, of Albany, N. Y.

DR. JOHN (2) SHANKLAND, was a charter member of the Somonauk United Presbyterian Church. The church records give his wife's name as Mrs. M. E. Shankland. They had three children, Perry (3), Alice and Nettie. Dr. Shankland left Sandwich, Illinois, and went to Battle Creek, Michigan, about 1860.

The Stewart Family

JOHN (1) STEWART, a Scotch Covenanter, fled from Scotland to County Down, Ireland, between 1665 and 1685 to escape penalties incurred from noncompliance with royal edicts respecting religious worship and attendance at the Parish Church. The North of Ireland had become a refuge for proscribed Protestants and condemned Covenanters, and thither he went, preferring to abandon his native hills rather than to renounce the Solemn League entered into by the Scottish Christians in 1643.

John Stewart died in 1720, and of his family we have record of one son only, Robert. The following heads of the generations from John Stewart are:

ROBERT STEWART (2), born in 1665.

SAMUEL STEWART (3), born in 1698.

ROBERT STEWART (4), born in 1732.

WILLIAM STEWART (5), born in 1765; married Mary Stewart.

Children:

i. Elijah (6).

ii. Mary, born June 5, 1812; married William (1) McKee. (See page 199.)

ELIJAH (6) STEWART, second child of William (5) and Mary (Stewart) Stewart, was born April 5, 1803, in Adams County, Pennsylvania; died December 15, 1881, on his farm in Somonauk township, De Kalb County, Illinois. He held the office of ruling elder in the Associated Church and in the United Presbyterian Church for thirty-seven years.

Elijah Stewart married first, June 16, 1825, Agnes, daughter of Alexander and Rebecca Torrance McGaughey; born April 11, 1803, near Gettysburg, Pennsylvania; died December 19, 1872. They lived fourteen years in Coitsville, Ohio, removing in 1839 to Mercer County, Illinois. In 1853 they removed to Somonauk, Illinois, where they lived for the rest of their lives. They are buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

Children:

i. Alexander McGaughey (7), born Jan. 7, 1827.
ii. William, born Oct. 11, 1828; died June 7, 1863.
iii. Rebecca, born Apr. 29, 1831.
iv. Mary, born Oct. 20, 1833; married John Boyd. (See page 104.)
v. Sarah Ann, born Aug. 8, 1837; died Dec. 13, 1880.
vi. Annette, born Jan. 23, 1840, in Mercer County, Ill.; married James McLean (4) Dobbin. (See page 109.)
vii. Emeline Amanda, born May 8, 1842; married James McClellan. (See page 186.)
viii. Samuel James, born Nov. 8, 1845. He was a minister of the gospel.

Mr. Stewart married second, Mrs. Julia A. (Truesdale) Bigham, of Wooster, Ohio.

ALEXANDER McGAUGHEY (7) STEWART, the eldest child of Elijah and Agnes (McGaughey) Stewart; born January 27, 1827, at Coitsville, Ohio; married December 26, 1849, Jane Collins; born October 26, 1825, in Jefferson County, Ohio. Soon after their marriage they removed to Mercer County, Illinois.

In 1856 they came to Somonauk and bought eighty acres in Victor township, where they settled. Mr. Stewart became a prosperous farmer, and in a few years bought another eighty

acres adjoining. Of their six children only one lived to maturity.

Children:

i. John Collins (8).
ii. Samuel Russell.
iii. Albert Elijah.
iv. Ella Anne.
v. William Moffett.
vi. Elizabeth Mary, lived to her twenty-ninth year. She married Andrew (3) Gilchrist, and died when her only child was an infant. (See page 126.)

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander McGaughey Stewart and their six children are all buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

WILLIAM (7) STEWART was born in Coitsville, Ohio, October 11, 1828. Though he never lived at Somonauk, where his father's family was so long identified, his short career is full of interest. Graduated from Washington College, Pennsylvania, in 1849, he began the study of theology, but a severe illness made it evident that he could not endure the northern climate. He went south in 1852 and was private tutor in a family at Sidon, Mississippi, for a time. He studied medicine and practiced at Vaiden, Mississippi, where he married Mary Frances Pleasants.

Children:

i. Frances (8).
ii. Ernest William.

William Stewart was a Union man and cast the only vote in his county against secession. When the war began he made an effort to escape with his family by way of Mexico, but did not succeed. He then entered the rebel army as captain (we have only rebel authority for this), but resigned in a short time, ostensibly on account of ill health. Thinking to be safe from raids, he concluded to leave town and live on his plantation in

the timber. He found a man whom he had often befriended, a Mr. Stokes, living in the house. Stokes agreed to leave but kept delaying. Finally, William ordered him out. The man went into the house and through the opening of the nearly closed door shot William in the back with buckshot. After lingering nineteen days in great suffering he died. There being no communcation between the North and the South at that time, his father's family did not hear of his death for two years. His murderer escaped justice.

The Thompson Family

JOSEPH A. (1) THOMPSON with his children immigrated to Somonauk from Washington County, New York, in 1849. Mr. Thompson had been a ruling elder in the Putnam Associate Church in Washington County and united with the Somonauk church on his arrival in 1849. He was elected ruling elder in 1850 and the same year went east, where he married Miss Margaret Stott, of Argyle, New York.

He purchased from the government a piece of prairie land, the southwest quarter of Section 2, in Victor township, surveyed in 1853. There Mr. Thompson spent the rest of his life. He is remembered as a quiet, rather stern man, but of a tender heart, and a good neighbor. He was unswerving in his convictions of the right. He is buried in Oak Mound Cemetery. The Thompson and More records, we are told, were destroyed by fire.

Children:

i. Marie P. (2), born Oct. 20, 1820; died Dec. 3, 1906, near Viola, Kan.; married James More. (See page 203.)

ii. Eliza; married Alexander (7) French, September, 1850. (See page 120.)

The Walker Family

JOHN (1) WALKER was the grandson of James Walker who came from near Edinburgh, Scotland, and was the head of a family in Hebron, Washington County, New York, in 1790.

Child:

i. James (2), born 1778.

JAMES (2) WALKER, born near Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1778; came to America, probably with his parents; died in Clinton township, De Kalb County, Illinois, in 1856, in the home of his son, John Walker, at the age of seventy-eight years; married Helen Oliver. He was a charter member.

Children:

i. Mary (3), born Mar. 1805; died unmarried at her brother John's home in 1895.

ii. Janet, born in 1806; died Jan. 10, 1839; married Martin Coon.

iii. Helen, born in June, 1807; died in New York City in 1864; married Asa Miller.

iv. Thomas, born in September, 1808; went to sea and was never heard from afterward.

v. Euphemia, born and died in 1811.

vi. James, born Apr. 1, 1812; died May 23, 1850, at Lone Tree, Wyo., while on an overland trip to California. Married Mary Rich in 1845.

vii. George, born Feb. 4, 1816; married Eleanor Livingston Dobbin, Mar. 23, 1838.

viii. John, born Apr. 15, 1818; died at his home in Sandwich, Ill., Jan. 2, 1910, at the age of ninety-two.

ix. Robert, born in September, 1820; died in New York City in 1885; married Sophronia Storrs.

x. William, died aged fifteen months.

JOHN (3) WALKER, born in Hebron, Washington County, New York, April 15, 1818; died January 2, 1910, in Sandwich, Illinois; married September 15, 1839, Nancy Walls; born in County Antrim, Ireland, December 12, 1820; died in Clinton township, De Kalb County, Illinois, May 10, 1859.

They came to Somonauk in the summer of 1842 and secured a half section of prairie land from the government in Clinton township. They were both charter members of the Associate Church.

Children:

i. William James (4), born Aug. 1, 1840; married first, Nov. 24, 1859, Albina, a daughter of Richard and Julia Ann Kirkpatrick; second, Mrs. Mary Jane Howison, Nov. 7, 1915.

ii. Helen, born in April, 1842; died in 1869; married Wallace Olmstead.

iii. Robert, born Feb. 26, 1844; died June 7, 1927; married, Jan. 24, 1867, Julia Ann, a daughter of Richard and Julia Ann Kirkpatrick. He is said to have been the first white child born in Clinton township. He and Mary, daughter of Robert Patten, were the first children baptized in the Somonauk church, which then was a mission.

iv. John, born July 26, 1846; died Dec. 18, 1916; married Nov. 28, 1867, Rebecca, a daughter of Richard and Julia Ann Kirkpatrick.

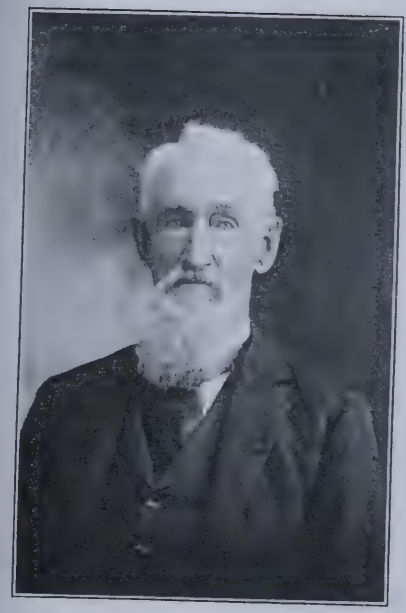
v. Henry, born Feb. 20, 1849; married Mary Huston, Jan. 12, 1871; died June 11, 1926.

vi. Oliver, born Jan. 2, 1851; married July 1, 1874, Mary Tragar; died Nov. 7, 1884.

vii. Roseanna, born Nov. —, 1852; married John Dougal.

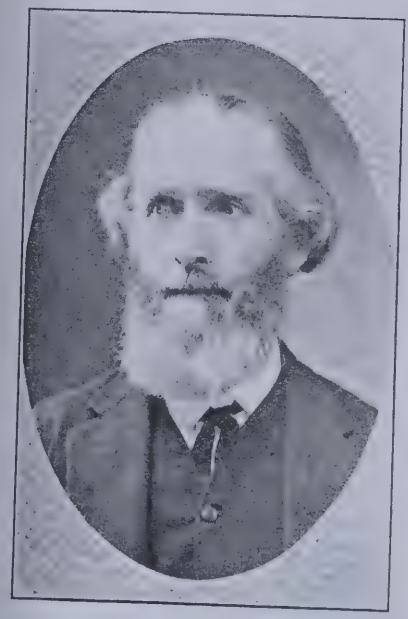
viii. Mary, born Feb. —, 1855.

ix. Janet, born Feb. —, 1857; married Charles Hay.



John Walker
Charter Member

Mrs. John Walker (Nancy Walls)
Charter Member



Daniel Nelson Boyd
First Member

William Robertson
Charter Member

John Walker married second, February 2, 1860, Margaret Dobbin, a daughter of Samuel (3) Dobbin; born in Greenwich Township, Washington County, New York, March 24, 1824; died near Somonauk church, April 4, 1899.

Children: i. Edward (4). ii. Elizabeth.

The White Family

The paternal ancestor of this family is believed to have been Thomas White, one of the grantees of the Turner Patent, in Washington County, New York, 1764.

THOMAS (3) WHITE was the son of Robert (2) and Elizabeth (Hung) White; born in Argyle, New York, February 15, 1815; died at Somonauk, Illinois, February 18, 1882; married February 22, 1837, Ann Eliza Tucker; born June 28, 1815; died at Somonauk, Illinois, September 4, 1883; daughter of Nathan and Marcy (Clark) Tucker. Mr. and Mrs. White came to Somonauk in 1857; both were members of the Somonauk church, and they are buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

Children:

i. Elizabeth (4), died young.
ii. William, died young.
iii. Puella, born June 11, 1846; married John A. Armstrong. (See page 81.)
iv. Robert, born August 31, 1848; died March 7, 1880; married Feb. 11, 1875, Emma Manly.
v. Emily, born Feb. 19, 1851; married William John Randles. (See page 226.)
vi. Julia.
vii. Martha, born Apr. 14, 1855.
viii. Mary, born Apr. 14, 1855; died young.
ix. Hampton, born Dec. 9, 1857.
x. Charles H., born July 2, 1859.

HAMPTON (4) WHITE, born December 9, 1857; died November 15, 1927; married January 31, 1884, Margaret Elizabeth (4) Henry; born April 1, 1857, a daughter of James (3) Henry and Jennett (Beveridge).

Children:

i. Mary E. (5), born Mar. 27, 1885.
ii. Henry J., born Mar. 20, 1887.
iii. William W., born Feb. 12, 1892.
iv. Robert E., born Nov. 2, 1893.
v. Jannette K., born Nov. 7, 1895.
vi. Eugene T., born Aug. 13, 1897.

CHARLES H. (4) WHITE, born July 2, 1859; married January 3, 1883, Cornelia Marshall; born August 17, 1861. Mr. White is a banker in the village of Somonauk and owns the homestead farm one mile north of the town.

Children:

i. Emma (5), died when a young woman.
ii. Thomas, married Lucy Scales and is employed in a bank in Sycamore, Ill.

ALEXANDER (3) WHITE, son of Robert (2) and Elizabeth (Hung) White; born in Argyle, Washington County, New York, January 19, 1817; died at his farm home in Somonauk township, De Kalb County, Illinois, January 10, 1889; married first, April 5, 1849, in Coila, New York, Mary Jane Robertson, eldest daughter of John and Ann (Small) Robertson; born May 25, 1825, in Coila, New York; died September 26, 1850, at Wheatland, Will County, Illinois.

Child:

i. John Robertson (4), born Sept. 18, 1850; died at Santa Ana, Cal., in December, 1905, or 1906; married Sept. 5, 1877, at Waterloo, Iowa, Jennie Williams.

Children:

i. Ella J. (5).
ii. Effie D.
iii. Frank M.

In May, 1849, Alexander White with his young wife came to Wheatland, Illinois. In 1851, after his wife's death, he purchased a farm one mile south of the Somonauk church, of which he and his son became members.

September 18, 1858, Mr. White married in Squaw Grove township, De Kalb County, Illinois, as his second wife, Eliza, a daughter of George and Margaret Brown Howison; born August, 1825, in Smailholm, Roxburyshire, Scotland. Mr. and Mrs. White, living alone on the farm, were both asphyxiated by a leaking gas stove, January 10, 1899. The funeral services of Mr. and Mrs. White were conducted by Dr. G. H. Robertson at their home, and they were buried in Oak Mound Cemetery.

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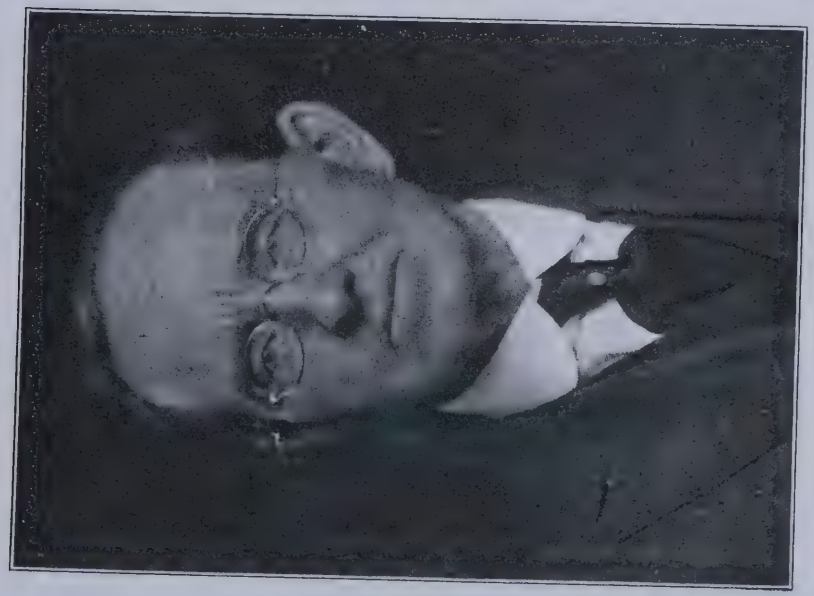

Andrew Graham

FOREWORD

THE materials for this book have been gathered by Jennie M. Patten during the course of a long life devoted to study of original documents and the records of a wide circle of families of this church community. We are indebted to Andrew Graham who mainly wrote the general history of the church community, in the preparation of which he has been very ably assisted by Estelle F. Ward. Large credit should also be given to Caroline M. McIlvaine who has co-operated in the preparation of the book for publication.

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